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Injured boxer undergoes second brain operation

By Bill Frost and Michael Horsnell

The serious injury suffered by Michael Watson in his title fight with Chris Eubank has led to renewed calls for boxing to be banned

MICHAEL WATSON, the middleweight boxer who received a severe head injury in a title fight on Saturday, underwent a second emergency operation last night after his condition deteriorated.

Watson, aged 26, spent 12 hours in a critical but stable condition on a life support system at St Bartholomew's Hospital, London, before his condition gave further cause for concern. He was taken back to theatre where Peter Hamlyn, a consultant neurosurgeon, operated for the second time.

Mr Hamlyn said that the blow delivered by Watson's opponent, Chris Eubank, had led to the formation of a blood clot on the brain. After performing the first operation, an emergency craniotomy, he said: "Michael has had emergency surgery to remove the clot. He is still critical, on a life support machine in the intensive care unit, where he will remain probably for some days. At this stage it is very difficult to say what will be the outcome of this treatment. We are hopeful he will make a recovery, though I can make no real predictions for the future."

Last night, Catherine Francklow, senior sister at St Bartholomew's, said: "His condition deteriorated and he is at present undergoing further surgery to his injured brain. He will then return to the intensive care ward on a life support machine."

She appealed to boxing enthusiasts to stop telephoning the hospital for news because they were blocking the lines.

Friends and relatives of the boxer, including Zara Rhoulla, mother of his two children, Jamilla, aged four, and Layla, aged three, spent the day at his bedside.

Chris Eubank yesterday expressed concern and admiration for his opponent. As he left a north London hospital where he had been admitted for tests after Saturday's fight, he said: "As far as I am concerned, all I care about is knowing his well-being. I basically want to say nothing until I understand his specific condition. I wish him a full and speedy recovery."

Eubank said that Watson was a great but underestimated fighter. "I have never been in the ring in my life with that type of relentless, fighting attitude and will-power."

Explaining suggestions he had made after the fight that Watson might have been on stimulants, Eubank said that he had been paying his adversary a compliment. "It was a way of saying the man had phenomenal strength. It was a way of complimenting him," he said.

Watson was carried from the ring at Tottenham football club's White Hart Lane ground, north London, after the fight was stopped in the 12th and final round of the WBO super-middleweight title bout. He had collapsed in his corner after a protracted onslaught by Eubank.

At first it was believed that Watson, like Eubank, was suffering from exhaustion. However, doctors at the North Middlesex hospital became anxious about his condition and transferred him to St Bartholomew's for brain function tests.

When the bout was stopped scuffles broke out among spectators. A Scotland Yard spokesman said that a number of people were arrested as rival supporters fought by the ringside. A steward was reportedly hit over the head with a chair.

Once the seriousness of Watson's injuries became apparent yesterday, a Labour MP called for urgent legislation to ban professional boxing "once and for all". James Callaghan, who represents Heywood and Middleton, said: "It is a throwback to the days of gladiatorial contests. There is only one winner in professional boxing. I have never known a promoter suffering from punch-drunkeness or brain damage."

Menzies Campbell, the Liberal Democrat spokesman on sport, called for a government enquiry into amateur and professional boxing. "Boxing is an ancient sport, but in modern-day Britain it jars the conscience of all who love sport. We must not allow the enthusiasm of young men to cause them to put their lives at risk," he said.

Frank Bruno, the former world heavyweight title challenger, said: "My prayers and thoughts are with Michael Watson. He is a good friend of mine. No nicer or braver man ever climbed into the ring."

Bruno, who last Friday had his boxing licence restored after evidence from eye specialists that he still needed surgery to repair retina damage, added: "We all know the risks involved in boxing and this is one of those sad things we all dread. Please God Michael will be all right."

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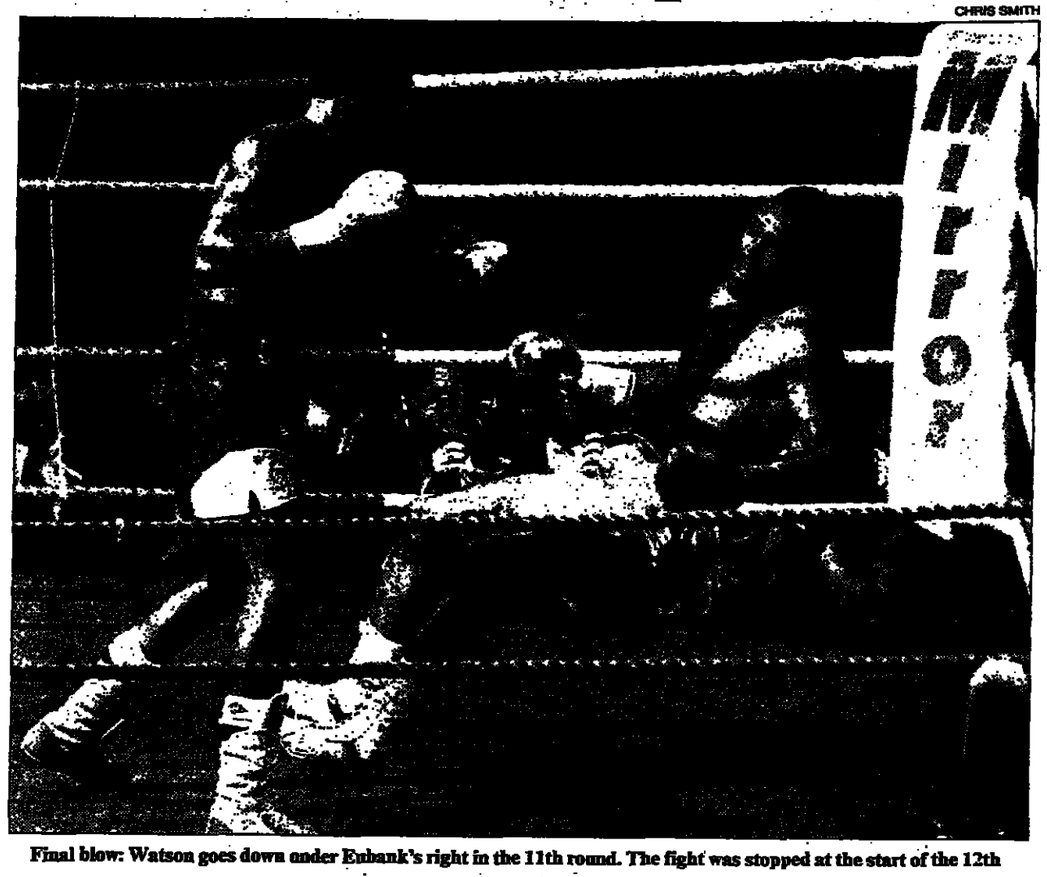

Final blow: Watson goes down under Eubank's right in the 11th round. The fight was stopped at the start of the 12th

Serbs agree ceasefire but bombs still fall

From Christopher Walker in Zagreb and Tim Judah in Osijek

THE latest Yugoslav ceasefire brought a fragile calm to the fighting in the breakaway republic of Croatia last night, despite sporadic violations.

General Veljko Kadijevic, the federal defence minister, announced an "absolute and mutual ceasefire" to take effect at 3pm (1pm GMT), after the fiercest 48 hours of fighting in the civil war.

Less than five minutes after the ceasefire began, an air raid warning sent thousands of people scurrying for cover in Zagreb, the Croatian capital. Automatic weapons fire was reported near the city's main railway station at around 6.35pm. Bombing persisted in Tovarnik and Nijemci, two Croatian villages west of Belgrade, last night.

Tank and mortar fire pounded the eastern Croatia town of Vinkovci, and some two hours after the ceasefire began shells were still falling on the suburbs of Osijek. There was no mention in the published agreement of an earlier demand that federal troops should return to barracks.

General Kadijevic, announced the ceasefire as the army appeared to be gaining the upper hand in its land, sea and air onslaught on Croatia, with the psychologically important town of Petrinja falling to federal forces. However, the army's motives were unclear, amid speculation about quarrelling among its leadership, fuelled by confusion over the true fate and purpose of a large column of tanks which left Belgrade last week.

Croatian national guardsmen in Vinkovci said they believed that at least some of the tanks had halted about ten miles from their town, and it seemed unlikely that they were being used.

Only hours before yesterday's truce, General Kadijevic had rejected a similar ceasefire offer from the Croatian leadership and instead threatened "decisive military action". Critics accused Dr Tudjman of showing signs of desperation in three ceasefire offers made between Friday and yesterday.

Scepticism about the durability of the ceasefire was increased by doubts that either side would be able to wield full control over their respective nationalist militias.

Fears about the spread of the war led the authorities in the neighbouring republic of Bosnia-Herzogovina to set up a crisis committee. Yuri Pelevan, the prime minister, claimed that the Serbs who have been attacking Croatia were planning to annex land in the republic, which is a tinderbox of mixed loyalties.

The new ceasefire was along similar lines to that negotiated by Lord Carrington last week. Before the ceasefire was announced in a published exchange of letters between General Kadijevic and the Croatian president, Franjo Tudjman, there had been signs that both sides had suffered setbacks.

Over Saturday night and into Sunday, the federal troops met much tougher resistance from the bands of Croatian national guardsmen than had been expected. In some cases, they had to fight their way through villages where a handful of Croat fighters put up a stiff resistance and destroyed vehicles.

Croat forces seized federal military equipment, including anti-tank weapons. "The morale of the Croats has been boosted by these acquisitions," a Western military observer said. In Belgrade, there were diplomatic reports that elements in the federal army were losing the stomach for a guerrilla war for which they have not been trained.

But there were conflicting signals in some areas of the heavily outnumbered Croats losing more ground. By noon, it was confirmed by Croatian radio that the federal and Serbian nationalist forces had taken control of Petrinja only 25 miles southeast of Zagreb.

The collapse of the town was a bitter blow to Croats, who have lost more than one-

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Georgia riots kill three

From Bruce Clark in Tbilisi

THREE people were killed in the Georgian capital over the weekend in clashes between supporters and opponents of the Georgian president, Zviad Gamsakhurdia, Tass reported last night.

Government supporters controlled the city centre after forcing opposition activists to abandon the streets and hole up in the television station, where they were bracing themselves for an armed assault on the building. The national guard commander, Tengiz Kintovani, who sent 200 armed men backed by armoured vehicles to defend the building, was engaged last night in tense talks with government officials.

The rioting, in which at least 20 people were injured, began after nearly 20 hours of argument between the two sides, who accuse each other of conspiring with Moscow.

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Nuclear weapons 'on sunk warship'

A report claims that the world's oceans are littered with radioactive debris, writes Nick Nuttall

Powerful evidence that HMS Sheffield, the British warship that sank in 1982 off the Falklands after being holed by an Argentinian Exocet missile, was carrying nuclear weapons has emerged in a document on nuclear accidents at sea, it was disclosed yesterday.

The document, which contradicts official government statements, has been compiled by the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA), an intergovernmental body. It will be presented at an international conference in London in November.

The draft report lists 31 incidents in which radioactive materials have been lost at sea. Sources include nuclear-powered spacecraft, naval vessels and nuclear test devices as well as planes and warships carrying nuclear weapons. Nearly half remain in the oceans.

The defence ministry neither confirms nor denies the presence of nuclear weapons on ships and aircraft. The IAEA lists the loss of a nuclear weapon from the Sheffield as unconfirmed.

A spokesman, however, said that the document was based on information supplied by various national governments, including Britain and America. Of the 31 incidents listed in the report two are British. The other involves the loss of a Polaris missile from the submarine Resolution off Florida in 1985.

The report lists 18

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CBI's business survey backs Bank governor

By Ross Tieman, Industrial Correspondent

BRITAIN'S industrialists are now more confident about business prospects than at any time in the past 16 months.

For the first time since May 1990 there are more manufacturers expecting their output to rise rather than fall, acccording to a survey by the Confederation of British Industry. The findings support the optimistic assessment of the economy by Robin Leigh-Pemberton, the Bank of England governor, which set off a political storm last week.

The survey also contains backing for the assertion, by John Major, the prime minister, that inflation has been licked. Factory gate prices remain under tight control, the survey found. More companies expect to cut prices than to raise them for the second month running.

However, the confedertion issued a warning that although the decline in output appears to have bottomed out, the trend remains patchy. Managers in the food, drink, tobacco and chemicals industries are the most optimistic. The downturn in engineering is expected to continue until the middle of next year.

The confederation's assessment is based on its September monthly trends enquiry, sent to 1,456 companies responsible for half of United Kingdom manufacturing output.

David Wigglesworth, chairman of the confedertion's economic situation committee, said: "This is the most positive sign yet that manufacturing industry is beginning to move out of recession.

"Overall it seems likely that orders and output will remain weak for the rest of the year and that we shall have to wait until well into 1992 before the improvement spreads more generally throughout manufacturing industry."

Mr Leigh-Pemberton said last week the picture of the economy was "undeniably improving" and that he was confident "we are now moving out of recession". His remarks brought an angry reaction from Labour spokesmen, who claimed that the governor was acting like a "paid-up member of a Tory pre-election campaign".

In a break with the policy of avoiding political involvement, the Bank issued a statement in support of its governor and said that more recent indicators pointed to an upswing. The confederation is acutely aware of the political sensitivity of its latest survey findings. It took care to emphasise the slightness of the upturn suggested by its figures and issues a warning against premature optimism.

The more detailed quarterly survey, to be published next month, would be "particularly important in assessing the likely timing of the recovery," it said.

Although 21 per cent of companies surveyed during September expected output to rise, 20 per cent foresaw further falls. This suggests that roughly six out of ten expect no change over the next few months. In August the negative balance was 6 per cent. In February, when expectations reached a ten year low,

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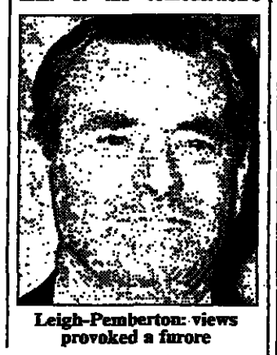

Leigh-Pemberton: views provoked a furore

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In the sun-blessed hills of Provence, close to Avignon and Aix-en-Provence is the unique, 450 acre leisure resort of Pont Royal. Set into the hillside overlooking a Seve Ballesteros designed, 18 hole Championship Golf Course you will find traditional Provencal style villas, town houses and apartments amid cobbled streets and squares. A magnificent Tennis Centre, Health and Fitness Club and Swimming Lagoon will provide exclusive facilities for relaxation. Pont Royal is owned and managed by a British company so owning a home here is uncomplicated and maintaining it is effortless. Prices range from £75,000 - £450,000. For more information, send for the brochure or phone 081 332 0033.

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Wheel of fortune comes unstuck for Mansell

From Norman Howell in Estoril

IT IS every driver's nightmare after an expensive service. You pull away from the garage and accelerate into the traffic — only to discover that your rear wheel has fallen off. Yesterday it happened to Nigel Mansell, Britain's leading Formula One driver as he led the field in the Portuguese Grand Prix.

Accelerating away from a routine pit-stop, his Williams-Renault shed an insecurely-fastened rear wheel and lurched to a halt in an area of the pits where it was forbidden to work on the car. Up to that moment everything had been going swimmingly. If Mansell had won he was on course to keep alive his hopes of winning the world driver's championship, the first British winner since James Hunt in 1976. But a seven and a half second mid-race pit-stop was to wreck his chances and leave Mansell totally demoralised.

Changing his four tyres involved 15 team members: three per wheel, two at the front and rear armed with jacks, and the team manager holding a board to remind the driver to keep his foot on the brake. The tyres were too hot to touch and Mansell's pit crew, who wear asbestos gloves, were under pressure to achieve the tyre changes in, at best, five seconds.

After he lurched back into the pits Mansell's mechanics hurriedly replaced the wheel. He rejoined the race in 17th place and fought back to sixth — but the incident led to his disqualification. It leaves him with virtually no hope of beating Ayrton Senna, who finished second behind Mansell's team mate, Riccardo Patrese, to the title.

Mansell seems to have inherited the mantle of Stirling Moss as the fastest yet unluckiest driver of his era in Formula One motor racing and it is the second time in three years that he has been disqualified at this track. It is also the third time that the world championship has slipped from Mansell's grasp in the final stages of the season.

Mansell's temperament leaves him unusually vulnerable to quirks of ill-fortune. At the Canadian Grand Prix this season he dominated the race but in choosing to wave to the crowd on the last lap stalled the engine as a result.

Yet it his tenacity which has so often made him the star of the Formula One show, if not the winner. In his anger and disappointment at least one fact was kept private: Mansell's view of his mechanics.

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Ministers suppress report criticising misuse of EC grants

Cash for the needy and long term unemployed is being diverted by the government to other projects, Douglas Broom reports

EUROPEAN social fund grants should go straight to those who need them, especially women, ethnic groups and the long term unemployed, rather than be distributed through the employment department, according to a report that the government has tried to suppress.

British ministers were so embarrassed by the call for Brussels to bypass Whitehall that they asked for the report not to be published this autumn. European Commission sources said last night that it would not appear. Local authorities who have seen a draft copy demanded it be made public.

The report, a copy of which has been obtained by *The Times*, is highly critical of the way central government has taken over and distributed the money on a non-negotiable basis. Payments have been late. Applicants have asked for cash for established schemes that they know will succeed rather than seeking grants for those who really need them.

The Association of London Authorities said: "This report reinforces what we have been saying for a long time. The process in Britain is too bureaucratic and quite clearly the criteria laid down by the commisision have not ben adhered to. It must be published and discussed."

The report, prepared by Coopers and Lybrand Deloitte, management consultants, concludes that more than £200 million a year in European social fund grants should be paid direct to Training and Employment Councils, local authorities, voluntary groups and higher education institutions.

The report questions whether the British government has been following the rules whereby EC grants are paid on the basis that they are used for projects that governments would not otherwise have been able to fund. It says the British government has simply taken money from the EC and used it to replace part of its own training budget, which would otherwise have been paid for by the Treasury.

Recommendations include a more regionalised approach to the distribution of cash, including giving training and enterprise councils (local enterprise councils in Scotland) a prominent role, and a review of information that applicants are asked to provide. "Data that are difficult to obtain and in any case serve no purpose, should no longer be required," it says.

Local authorities believe that regionalisation is the key to making the system more workable and accessible. They are backing the report's assessment that the government has failed to allow the grant system to reflect geographical changes. The report points out that unemployment in Britain, although increasing all over the country, has wide regional variations ranging from 5.5 per cent in East Anglia to 10 per cent in the North and 13.7 per cent in Northern Ireland in April 1991.

Its says that inner city areas have been ignored. Within the more prosperous south of England "there are inner city pockets of very high unemployment. There is, therefore, a case for targeting the social fund expenditure on these areas."

Of the £232 million paid last year, £143.6 million formed part of the employment department's £2,900 million annual training budget. Most of the money, £125 million, was spent on the Employment Training scheme, accounting for 14 per cent of the total ET budget.

At present, all of the EC funds for training the unemployed are paid direct to the employment department, which has a European social fund unit to vet and approve the distribution of the money. The report says that Britain is the biggest recipient of EC grants under objectives relating to retraining long-term unemployed and the training of young unemployed people.

The report found that in general insufficient attention has been paid to monitoring, evaluation and financial control and that payments were badly disrupted in 1990 and are still taking too long to reach beneficiaries.

The department of employment last night said officials were unaware of the content of the report. "This department did not commission it, and therefore could hardly have suppressed it," a spokeswoman said. "We have not had any dealings in connection with it."

Poll speculation

Tories face second tough by-election after death of MP

By RICHARD FORD, POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

THE government was last night facing a second testing autumn by-election in a Tory held marginal seat after the death of Richard Holt, MP for Langbaurgh, North Yorkshire.

With a by-election due in a vulnerable Scottish seat, ministers are faced with the prospect of two damaging electoral defeats and the consequent effect on party morale. A third by-election is pending in the West Yorkshire seat of Hemsworth but this is solid Labour territory and was held by the Opposition with a majority of more than 20,000 at the last election.

The Conservatives' hold on Langbaurgh, and Kincardine and Deeside in northeast Scotland is threatened by strong challenges from Labour and the Liberal Democrats. Party strategists are likely to argue for early contests to minimise the damage to morale of possible defeat and the wider perception that the Conservatives might be viewed as a party of losers.

Labour needs a 3.3 per cent swing to overturn the 2,088 majority with which Mr Holt, who died on Saturday, held Langbaurgh. The constituency stretches from the southern outskirts of industrial Middlesbrough into rural Cleveland to include seaside towns such as Saltburn.

Many voters work for ICI and British Steel with skilled manual workers making up 34 per cent of the electorate, non manual workers 21 per cent, managers and professionals 19.3 per cent, semi skilled manual workers 18.7 per cent and the unskilled 6 per cent.

Labour's challenger is Ashok Kumar, aged 35, a research scientist. He became one of the first Asian councillors in the North-East where he has been a member of Middlesbrough council for the past five years.

The by-election in Kincardine and Deeside will test whether the overthrow of Margaret Thatcher and John Major's campaigning efforts have triggered a revival in Conservative fortunes in Scotland. The party faces a strong Liberal Democrat challenge for the seat held by Alick Buchanan-Smith, who died last month, with a majority of 2,063 in 1987.

Failure would push the Tories into the humiliating position of being the third largest party in Scotland with nine seats, to the Liberal Democrats 10 and Labour's 48.

While victory for the Liberal Democrats would be an important pre-election boost for Paddy Ashdown, defeat would inflict a serious psychological blow on the Conservatives, raising the question about the logic of Scotland being governed by a party with so few MPs and fuelling argument over Scottish indepedence.

May winner: Eden led the Tories to victory in 1955

October winner: 1959 saw Macmillan triumphing

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Spring has been Tories' season

By ROBERT MORGAN, PARLIAMENTARY STAFF

ANY prime minister naming the date for a general election is taking a gamble. But if John Major opts for November he will be taking a bigger one than most as there has been no November poll since the end of the second world war.

In the 13 general elections since then, October has been the most popular month, but the Conservatives have done best in June contests, winning all three: two under Margaret Thatcher and one under Edward Heath when he defeated Harold Wilson's Labour government in 1970.

May has also seen a 100 per cent record for the Tories: in 1955 and in 1979, when Mrs Thatcher had her first win.

If party leaders let parliament run into the fifth and final year, support tends to dwindle. When Labour went to the polls in 1950, having been in power for almost five years, it was all but crushed, a majority of 146 reduced to six. The Liberals and all other minor parties were virtually wiped out. Eighteen months later, in the first of the four October elections, Winston Churchill led the Tories to a 17-seat overall majority.

In May 1955, a big vote of confidence was given to the new prime minister, Anthony Eden, who had taken over from Churchill only seven weeks before polling day.

October again proved a good month for the Tories in 1959. Under Harold Macmillan they were returned with an overall majority of 100. But the five-year blight struck again in 1964 when Sir Alec Douglas-Home lost to Harold Wilson.

James Callaghan was another to rue taking the parliament well into its fifth year. On May 3, 1979, Mrs Thatcher led the Tories back to power. In June 1987 she became the first party leader for 150 years to win three elections in a row.

Of the 13 elections since the war, the Conservatives have won seven and Labour six. The Tories have been in power for 30 of the 46 years.

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For November: ride the tide before it sweeps us away

Robin Oakley looks at the arguments for an early election and, below, why many Tories believe Mr Major should wait

THOSE arguing for November believe that there is a political tide in the prime minister's favour after his successful foreign trips in August and September.

They argue that the overall trend of the polls demonstrates that the Tory campaign has developed momentum and that Neil Kinnock's remarks about being a good captain of his ship have shown Labour on the defensive. In particular, they point to the private polls for the Tories by Harris which show them doing better in the key marginal seats than in polls overall.

For the moment, at least, the country has come to see Labour as a loser, they say. But if the November bandwagon is halted, it may be difficult to restart.

The more naive Tories believe that there could even be a chance of Neil Kinnock, seen as a Tory asset, being replaced before a spring election. The Novembrists argue that Labour, having expended much ammunition in the run-up to what might have been a June election, has for the moment run out of new things to say, but could recover its breath by spring. Ministers among them even say that, although the majority to be won in November might be small, that would be no bad thing: a smaller majority might make party management rather easier in the next parliament.

The later an election, the greater the danger of being boxed in, the Novembrists argue. Going to the final year could look like desperation, especially when it is known that Mr Major is keen to win his own mandate.

There are, too, the practicalities and the snags which will occur with waiting. Two by-elections are now pending in seats which the Tories will have difficulty in holding: Langbaurgh, and Kincardine and Deeside. The loss of the latter would demoralise Scots Tories by making them a smaller party north of the border than the Liberal Democrats. If Langbaurgh fell, the Tories would begin to look fragile.

Running through to the spring, say those urging a November poll, could lead to troubles over the council tax legislation, which will dominate the coming parliamentary session, reminding people of their distaste for the regime which gave them the poll tax. And in April there will be a new round of poll tax bills. Some Tories fear, too, that more hospital trusts will suffer economic blows which will enable Labour to bring back to the top of the political agenda the subject on which it fares the best: the future of the health service.

But elections are dependent above all on economic optimism, and the arguments there centre on the claim that the expectation of economic recovery now being inculcated by ministers and reflected in opinion polls may be better than the real thing. Some economists say that inflation, having come down to 4 per cent this autumn, is likely to rise a little next spring, hardly boosting Mr Major's claim that it has been "licked".

If the economy is still not lifting off significantly by the spring, say the Novembrists, then ministers who have been predicting an upturn since July will come to look pretty silly.

Against November: wait for the upturn, ministers say

MINISTERS making the case against a November election tend to put the evidence of the opinion polls above any "pricking of the thumbs" about political momentum.

Even before yesterday's Mori poll registering a renewed Labour lead they were emphasising that only one of the recent opinion polls giving the Tories a lead did so by a sufficient margin to offer the prospect of a working majority. To those who claim to have discovered a bandwagon rolling for the government they pointed out that while one poll evidenced a nine-point drop in Labour support over a month the same pollster had recorded a five-point drop in Tory support over one weekend.

They say that in days of such proven volatility the prime minister cannot risk going to the country early unless there is clear evidence over a sustained period both of a significant Tory lead over Labour and of something like a 44 per cent Tory share of the vote.

They have taken on board warnings that governments always lose support during election campaigns and that, since they need a 4 to 5 per cent lead on election day to be sure of having an overall majority, the pre-election lead must be sufficient to allow for that.

Some ministers, noting how the City nearly always gets its politics wrong, have marked down the growing City enthusiasm for an early election as another good reason for hanging on until the spring.

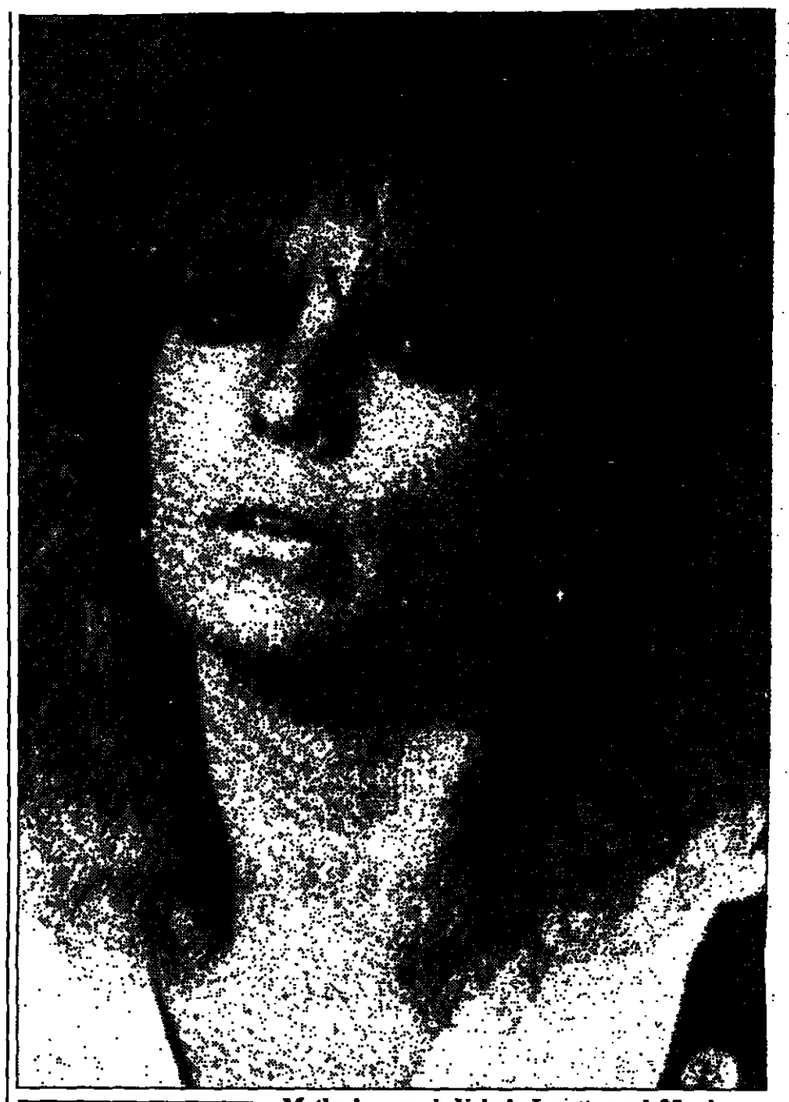
On the general political background, the spring school argues that the electorate always needs to be convinced that there is a clear need for an election to take place and that it is not just based on the convenience of the government of the day.

On the practicalities, those opposing a November contest point out that unemployment figures are due on November 14 and could take the gloss off a contest then. They say that a contest after the budget offers the prospect of enthusing the electorate.

But above all, the spring enthusiasts are noting the Treasury concern that the recovery is still so fragile that a single set of poor figures could wreck a campaign.

By the spring, Norman Lamont is telling colleagues, the evidence of recovery should be sufficiently well-established for the electorate to be ready to disregard a single bad set of unemployment, trade or RPI figures.

Those arguing for the spring say in esssence that since the government is already becoming more popular and the populace more confident about the economy while there is little hard evidence to back up ministerial claims of recovery, both trends can only continue when the real evidence is there in the early months of next year. Providing, of course, that it is.



Mother's appeal: Valerie Lovett, aged 35, above, pleading at a press conference on Saturday for the safe return of her daughter Cordelliah, aged 16, left, just hours before her body was found in a shallow grave at a landfill site at Sundon, near Luton, Bedfordshire. Miss Lovett, of Croxley Green, Hertfordshire, who was last seen leaving a friend's home on Wednesday night, had been strangled, police said. A man aged 23 has been charged with murder and is due to appear before Hemel Hempstead magistrates this morning. Police said the man was treated in hospital yesterday after a fire in the cell block at Watford police station where he was being held. "Three suspects were in custody at the time and were immediately evacuated," police said. The man was treated for smoke inhalation. Nobody else was injured in the fire, which is to be investigated.

Twitcher spots 486 species

RON Johns, an ornithologist from London, has become Britain's top twitcher, having spotted 486 species of rare birds in 30 years of watching in the wilds.

Richard Millington of *Birding World* magazine said that Mr Johns was able to keep ahead of his rivals as he had clocked up species not recorded during the careers of younger competitors, including the only American brown thrasher seen Britain, in Dorset in 1967.

Chris Heard, his main rival, from Maidenhead, Berkshire, who has seen just five fewer species, spoke of how hopes of surging ahead in the near future were dim. "If Ron continues as consistently as in recent years we may never be able to overhaul him, although we could end up achieving bigger lists after he retires," he said.

AGENDA
THE WEEK AHEAD

Today
Education minister releases details of tests for seven-year-olds.

Tomorrow
Booker prize shortlist announced. Equal Opportunities Commission publishes report.

Wednesday
The Prince of Wales launches £20 million cancer care appeal. Labour MP David Nellist attends national executive committee over alleged links with Militant.

Thursday
NSPCC launches campaign against child abuse. Museum and Galleries Commission annual report published.

Friday
National Association of Inspectors and Educational Advisers' annual conference opens in Bournemouth.

Saturday
Annual Bar conference opens.

Sunday
Delegates in Brighton for Labour party conference.

£200m bill for migraine sick leave

Sick leave due to migraine attacks could be costing the country more than £200 million a year.

The Office of Health Economics says in a report that more research is needed into the condition, which could afflict 5.6 million people. The subject still commands too little attention from health professionals.

Call for more home renting

The government should switch the emphasis of its housing policies from home ownership to renting, introducing measures including the phasing out of mortgage tax relief to boost it, Housing Choice, a free market housing campaign, proposes in a report today.

The group says mortgage tax relief is an expensive subsidy to better off homeowners and does little to help first time buyers for whom it was intended because it causes higher prices that also make renting more difficult.

Dolphin hope

A project involving underwater "cat's eye" sonar reflectors might save thousands of dolphins from being ensnared and killed by fishing nets. Scientists hope alarm signals from the device, which would be attached to the tight-meshed "wall of death" nets used by tuna fishermen, will be picked up by the dolphins' sonar and warn them off. The device begins a week's trials in the Moray Firth today.

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Polytechnic jumps on the Lada bandwagon

By JOHN O'LEARY, HIGHER EDUCATION CORRESPONDENT

JOKES about Lada cars are not popular at Coventry Polytechnic, which is playing host to 26 senior executives from the Soviet motor company in a venture that could prove lucrative for both sides.

When the recession started to make hit vital income from consultancy work undertaken by Coventry's business school, the academics looked east. A training agreement was signed with the Russian government last year, and 400 Soviet managers have since joined 17 polytechnic courses.

The Lada economists and accountants are hoping to learn in three weeks how to prepare a giant state enterprise for privatisation and run it in a market economy.

If the course is a success, the 100,000 VAZ workers who produce the much-maligned Ladas are expected to provide a steady supply of work for the business school, both in Coventry and the Soviet Union.

As they experienced their first computerised business game, the first batch from Togliatti, 1,000 miles south of Moscow, exuded mildly baffled enthusiasm.

"There are many problems in trying to privatise such a large enterprise where so many people are employed," Nikolai Yelistratov, chief accountant of the Dimitrov plant, said. "The new arrangements are still being discussed, but we can learn much on this course." Among the new learning experiences will be John Cleese in Russian on a training video and sightseeing visits to London, Blenheim Palace, Stratford-upon-Avon and Warwick castle. The polytechnic has become adept at tailoring courses to meet the demands of different groups and is catering simultaneously for a dozen gas and oil executives from Siberia.

The executives seemed unaware of the reputation of Ladas in Britain, and insisted that the Peugeot-Talbot plant they had visited in Coventry was no more modern than their own.

Charles Leonard, the polytechnic's head of commercial development, said: "We are very happy to help, but it is disheartening that all our training expertise is going abroad at the moment. Firms in the West Midlands are cutting back on training and forcing us to look elsewhere."

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The case against boxing

MP joins doctors demanding end to 'licensed barbarism'

Bill Frost finds battle rejoined between doctors and the boxing lobby after Michael Watson's last fight with Chris Eubank

MICHAEL Watson's brain injury, the latest in a lengthy catalogue of misfortunes suffered by professional boxers in the ring, brought renewed calls yesterday that the sport be outlawed.

The British Medical Association has long advocated a ban, and last night its campaign was joined by James Callaghan, Labour MP for Heywood and Middleton, who described professional boxing as licensed barbarism.

Boxing's history is littered with casualties. Campaigners seeking to have the sport banned claim that at least 500 people worldwide have died in the ring this century.

A boxer takes punches with an impact roughly equivalent to half the weight of an average family car, according to research in the United States in 1986. Tests showed that a professional fighter wearing light gloves could deliver a blow eqivalent to 100 "G", G force being the pull of gravity.

The British Medical Association regards professional boxing as the legitimisation of barbarous gladatorial violence. David Bowsher, formerly reader in neuro-science at Liverpool University and now director of the Pain Research Institute, said yesterday: "Throwing Christians to lions in ancient Rome was so much better. At least only one contestant suffered. In boxing, both participants pay the price."

Dr Bowsher pointed to the sustained brain damage suffered by any fighter. "The punch literally rattles the brain around in the cranium. The brain stem, where all vital functions occur, suffers bruising every couple of seconds as another blow is delivered to the head. There is no dispute; people who box professionally for a number of years get punch drunk and rot away slowly," he said.

The death of Steve Watt, who suffered a brain haemorrhage after a welterweight bout with Rocky Kelly in March 1986, brought renewed calls from the BMA for an immediate ban on professional boxing. Helen Grant, who carried out the post-mortem examination on Watt, said she was flabbergasted by the scarring on the boxer's brain.

Survivor: Chris Eubank leaves hospital yesterday

"There were gaps in Steve's brain and holes where there should have been brain cells," she said. "They were the most appalling injuries. Even if he had survived, the damage would have had serious repercussions for the rest of his life." She said efforts by the British Boxing Board of Control to tighten safety standards were largely worthless.

The board argues that acute injuries can happen in any contact sport and that deaths are uncommon.

British amateur boxing has come in for criticism too. Four years ago, Joseph Sticklen, aged 15, died of a brain haemorrhage after being knocked out in a bout lasting 63 seconds.

Bryan Jennett, a leading brain specialist, questions the thoroughness of the pre-fight medical. The Amateur Boxing Association said, however, that no other sport had "such a fine medical scheme". When an amateur received a blow to the head causing apparent dizziness, the contest was stopped immediately by the referee and the boxer was compelled to stay out of the ring for a month. The fighter's medical card was marked and, should he sustain a similar blow in his next contest, the rest period would be three months, it said.

Successive governments have rejected calls for professional boxing to be outlawed in Britain. Ministers said that a ban would not stop men fighting with their fists for money, any more than prohibition in the United States had stopped people drinking.

Professional boxing is banned in Norway and Sweden, and Iceland banned all forms of boxing 30 years ago. While admitting that such legislation is unlikely in Britain, those who criticise the sport argue for controls as rigorous as those enforced in Japan, the only country which makes brain scans compulsory for fighters. If vulnerability or damage is detected, the boxer must never fight again.

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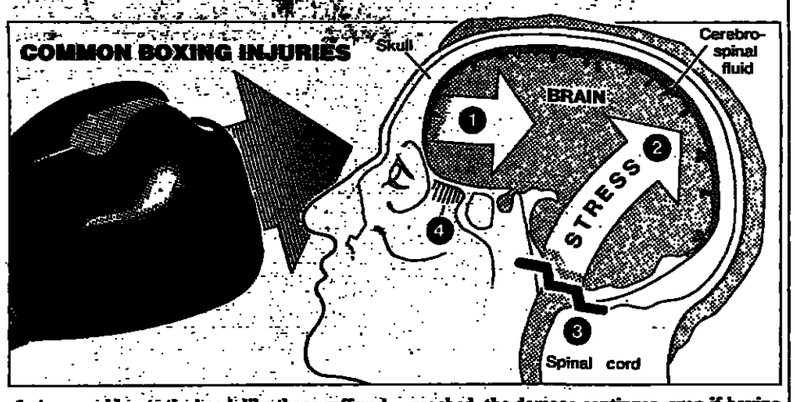

1: A severe blow to the head, like those suffered by Michael Watson, causes concussion and contusion, damaging the small blood vessels and nervous tissue with an oozing of blood and fluid.
2. A similar effect occurs opposite the point of impact.
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4. Severe blows to the head can cause damage to the nerve leading to the nose. The movement of the brain within the skull causes a shearing of the fragile nerve fibres where they go through the perforated plate of the bone. Once they have been cut, the sense does not recover.

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Flying visit: a view from the cockpit of a Red Arrows Hawk jet of Soviet Air Force fighters appearing for the first time over Britain. The pursuit was, however, entirely friendly (Tim Miles writes). The pilots of the Sukhoi-27s are members of the Soviet Air Force's Russian Knights aerobatic team, on a visit to Britain. They were heading for Balmoral to deliver a joint aerial salute with the Red Arrows to Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother, who is commander-in-chief of the RAF aerobatic team. The salute was arranged when the Queen Mother said that she would be unable to meet the Russian Knights in person, as they had requested, because she is on holiday. The Russian Knights team, based at the Kubinka air base near Moscow, was formed after the Red Arrows visited the Soviet Union last year. The team is staying at RAF Scampton, Lincolnshire, with its British counterparts.

Oxford's part-time students get £4.7m donation

By JOHN O'LEARY
HIGHER EDUCATION CORRESPONDENT

THE Kellogg Foundation has donated £4.7 million to Oxford University for continuing education. The money will go on scholarships and new facilities for part-time students.

Half will be available over the next two years, the rest depending on the university raising "matching funding" of £4 million. Geoffrey Thomas, president of Rewley House, the main base for Oxford's part-time students, said: "It is a tall order, but we are confident other people will consider this a worthwhile cause."

Oxford is the American foundation's only beneficiary in Europe. Russell Mawby, foundation chairman, said: "The challenge for Oxford is to maintain the high standards of scholarship for which it is rightly respected, while making itself accessible to more students."

● Students in the university's English faculty have voted to keep Anglo-Saxon in their degree course in spite of a campaign by dons who see it as a dead-end language. Although only a quarter responded to an official questionnaire, the 135-59 vote may end an attempt to drop Old English as a compulsory subject for first-year undergraduates. The faculty's syllabus committee is to discuss the matter next month.

☐ Head teachers need rises of up to 20 per cent to match the pay of their peers in business and industry, according to management consultants.

The National Association of Head Teachers says in a survey today that heads of large secondary schools should be paid £43,000 to be on a par with equivalent posts outside education. This would require an average rise of 16.3 per cent.

Heads of large primary schools are farthest behind the market rate, the research by Hay Management Consultants shows. They would need a 20.1 per cent increase to achieve a salary of £30,200.

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Stolen art unlikely to be traced

By STEWART TENDLER
CRIME CORRESPONDENT

OWNERS of stolen antiques and art have almost no chance of recovering their valuables, according to a report published today which estimates losses in Britain last year at £100 million. Many items are stolen to order for foreign collectors.

The report, in the magazine *The Antique Collector*, says that owners have a less than 3 per cent chance of seeing antiques again and blames media coverage of soaring auction prices, "sensationalist" robbery reports and inadequate policing for the rise in thefts. It says that "the television antics of likeable scoundrels such as Lovejoy" have made thieves increasingly aware of art's monetary value and the ease with which it can be stolen.

The report appears a week after a Scotland Yard officer warned an international police conference about the rise in art and antique thefts.

Proud Cornish yeoman soldiers on

As European food ministers meet to discuss subsidies, Michael Hornsby talks to a farmer who fears any cuts

PAUL TAMBLYN, who has been farming for 30 years at Treboul, near Saltash, Cornwall, is hard put to explain why he still "soldiers on". The military metaphor befits a man who sees himself fighting a one-sided battle against remote politicians and bureaucrats who can change the terms of survival at the stroke of a pen.

"The best you could say is that we are in a tactical retreat with little prospect of ever advancing again. So why go on? Pride partly, I suppose. Umpteen generations have made a living out of this land before us. My own grandfather survived the depression of the 1930s. It would hurt to have to admit failure now."

I last visited Paul, who is 54, his wife, Elizabeth, and their son Lister, who will turn 31 next month, about a year ago. They were at a low ebb and discussed the pros and cons of selling up. Although little has changed since in their circumstances, they now seem more determined to cling to the only way of life they have known.

Paul and his son farm 750 acres of agricultural land and manage a further 50 acres of marsh and woodlands. The terrain is hilly, rising from sea level to 350ft with distant views of the Tamar. There are 380 acres of wheat, barley and oats and 55 acres of potatoes. Most of the rest of the acreage, particularly in the steeper parts, is used as pasture for 480 breeding ewes and 110 beef cattle.

The Tamblyns own 150 acres, farming the rest as tenants. Much of the soil is mediocre and the farm somewhat remote. Ten years ago, however, the viability of a holding of this size would not have been in doubt. Now with subsidies being wound down, real income falling and costs rising, there is less and less surplus income left to reinvest. In the season 1990-1, gross income from the farm came to about £206,900 against expenditure of £187,400. Out of the modest surplus of £19,500, about the same as last year, the Tamblyns between them drew no more than £9,440 in personal salaries. That left precious little to meet unexpected costs such as the £6,000 they have just had to pay for a new gearbox for an elderly tractor.

Paul Tamblyn: it would hurt to admit failure now

The biggest item of expenditure was for feed, seed, fertiliser and pesticides, which cost £50,760. The wages bill, for four farmhands, three casual labourers during the potato harvest and the part-time help of the Tamblyns' postmistress daughter, Vanda, came to £38,500. Rates and rent on the 600 tenanted acres took £25,000 and repairs and maintenance a similar amount.

Contractors' fees for such jobs as de-stoning fields and hedge-trimming, interest on bank loans, veterinary medicines, fuel, telephone and electricity bills, boxes and packing and sundry other items gobbled up another £42,000. Depreciation of machinery was estimated at £5,500.

There are some shafts of sunlight in the gloom. The cereal harvest has been better this year, with an especially good crop of oats. Mr Tamblyn is also hopeful that his potatoes, which he will start lifting at the end of this month, will fetch good prices.

Looming on the horizon, however, are the proposals being discussed in Brussels for a 35 per cent cut in cereal support prices. He reckons that such a sharp reduction would put him out of business as a cereal grower. As it is, he hopes to turn a modest profit in the coming season only by taking 60 acres of his poorer land out of cultivation, for which he will be paid £49 an acre and be excused a production tax of about £7 a tonne on the grain he does produce.

Mr Tamblyn grumbles about the increasing red tape of anti-pollution regulations, including the ban on stubble burning. Hanging over everything is the uncertainty over the future of farm subsidies and the unsettling knowledge that the decisions that eventually come out of Brussels could overturn any plans the Tamblyn family makes.

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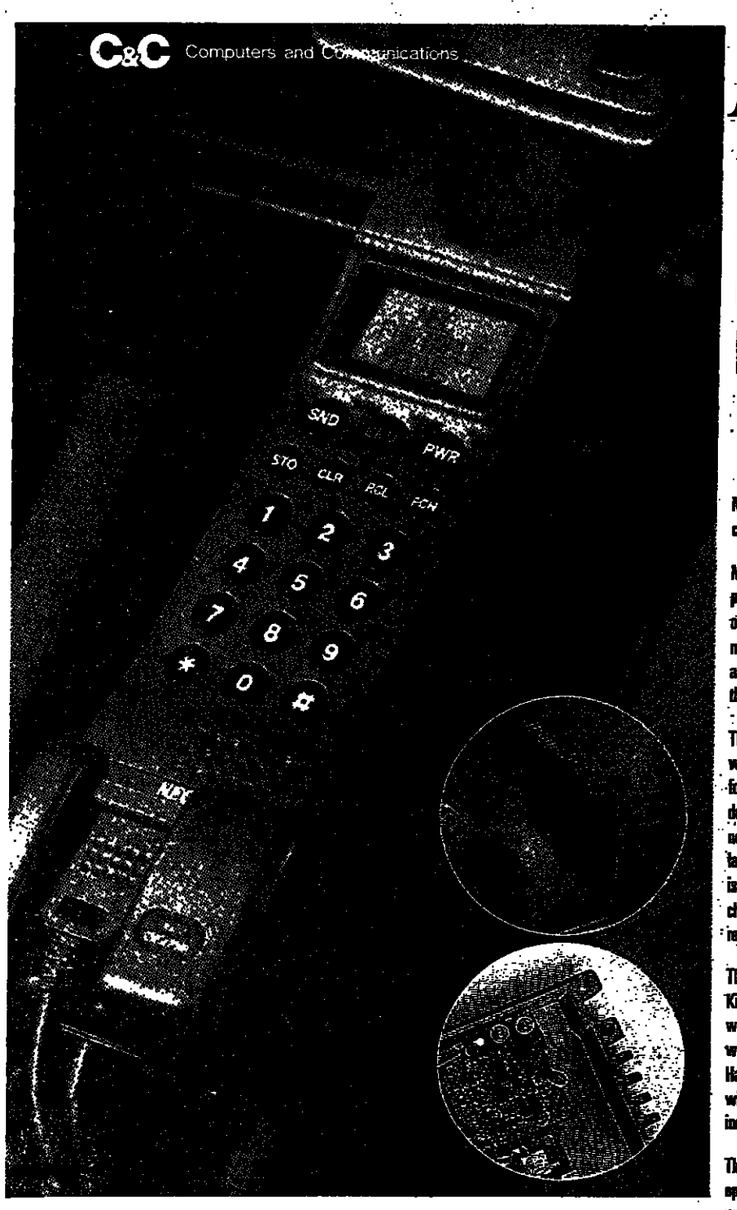

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Jail mothers can keep their babies

By FRANCES GIBB, LEGAL AFFAIRS CORRESPONDENT

THE Home Office appears to have backed down over removing babies aged nine months or more from mothers serving sentences prior to deportation. It is to investigate extending facilities at a closed women's prison so that mothers can have the older babies with them.

Last week, the National Association for the Care and Resettlement of Offenders, the Howard League and others protested about the enforced removal of older babies. The first such separation, expected last week at Holloway, north London, has not occurred.

Angela Rumbold, the Home Office minister, issued a statement saying that she was "very concerned" about two mothers at Holloway who were expected to be affected by the new policy and that she had taken steps to ensure that they would stay with their children.

She indicated a change in policy by the Home Office by saying that in the past babies could be held in closed conditions only until the age of nine months and adding: "There is a clear need that women who are subject to deportation and who, therefore, are not normally considered suitable for open conditions should be able to have their babies with them."

The separation expected last week arose from a policy introduced earlier this year that prisoners awaiting deportation could not serve part of their sentences in an open prison. That change was made after concern about the rates of prisoners absconding from open prisons.

Only two closed prisons, Holloway and Styal, Cheshire, have mother and baby facilities, up to the age of nine months. Only one centre, Askham Grange open prison, North Yorkshire, has facilities for babies up to 18 months.

Paul Cavadino, of Nacro, said: "This is marvellous news. If these separations had gone ahead, they could have caused lasting damage to the development of the two babies as well as great distress to their mothers.

"The threat of separation arose in the first place from an excessively rigid policy prohibiting the placement in open prisons of mothers who have been recommended for deportation. This policy should also be reviewed."

☐ Government plans for fixed fees for lawyers doing magistrates' court work have been held up because the Law Society wants a separate payment for solicitors' waiting time at court.

The new system, in place of an hourly rate, was due to have started on October 1 but is now unlikely before November at the earliest. It has already been introduced at crown courts.

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No use crying: Nigel Matthews pouring a celebratory pinta after winning an award as Britain's Best Milkman yesterday. Mr Matthews, aged 39, of Blythe Bridge, Staffordshire, was presented with a Rover Metro car and the tickets for a weekend in Paris at the award ceremony in London. He was nominated by Janet Hine, a customer on his round in Cheadle, who said: "When a customer's son needed an electric wheelchair, Nigel ran the London Marathon, raising about £4,000. He then delivered our milk early the next morning as usual. He's just fantastic." Mr Matthews said he trained for the marathon by running his five-hour milk round.

Guinness part two in court

By PAUL WILKINSON

PHASE two of the Guinness trial reaches a full court hearing today, more than a year after part one ended with a £3 million fine for Jack Lyons and jail sentences for the former Guinness chairman, Ernest Saunders, the stockbroker Anthony Parnes and Gerald Ronson, head of the Heron property group.

Before the court will be two further alleged players in the scandal surrounding the 1986 takeover of the Distillers drinks group by Guinness — the former merchant bankers Lord Spens, aged 49, and Roger Seelig, aged 46. They are alleged to have taken part in a scheme to boost artificially the value of Guinness stock to encourage Distillers shareholders to favour the Guinness offer against that of the Argyll supermarket chain.

They deny the five counts on the indictment. Lord Spens alone faces one charge of false accounting under the Theft Act 1968 and one jointly with Mr Seelig of conspiracy to contravene the Prevention of Fraud (Investments) Act 1958. Mr Seelig also faces two counts of false accounting and one of fraudulently attempting to acquire and dispose of securities under the Prevention of Fraud (Investments) Act.

Lord Spens, formerly a director of Henry Ansbacher, is legally aided after having already spent £300,000 on lawyers. Mr Seelig, a former director of Morgan Grenfell, is conducting his own case.

Green conference

Power seekers reject the commune mentality

By MICHAEL MCCARTHY, ENVIRONMENT CORRESPONDENT

THE Green party voted for a future in mainstream British politics at the weekend, shouldering aside those members who wished it to remain a large-scale commune for people of "alternative" views and lifestyles.

After an angry debate at its autumn conference in Wolverhampton, the party's realists, led by its best known names, Jonathon Porritt and Sara Parkin, forced through a radical restructuring of its organisation to turn it into a streamlined body to gather votes, fight elections and aim for political power.

The Green 2000 initiative, carried by proxy votes to the anger of its opponents, will replace the present labyrinthine decision-making structures with a nine-member executive and two "national speakers" to be the party's public face, while only delegates will be able to vote at conferences. At present voting is open to all.

The changes were condemned as a sellout by the party's fundamentalist wing, which believes it should remain a model of the society it seeks to create, with all power decentralised and devolved to the grassroots. "This is a sad day for the Green party," said Brig Oubridge, their principal voice, a tepee-dweller from a Welsh hippie commune.

The proponents of the changes insisted they were essential if the party were to retain any scrap of political relevance, pointing to the collapse of its public support since its capture of 15 per cent of the national vote in the European parliament elections of 1989. The party had witnessed an astonishing loss of energy and a haemorrhaging of talent, expertise and commitment, Mr Porritt told the conference. He had earlier told a fringe meeting it was time for the party to "grow up and face reality".

He expressed his satisfaction at the success of Green 2000, and said he would help the party in its general election campaign, but would not be standing for any of the new posts, which would be elected by postal ballot of all party members over the next three months. He is studiedly vague about his political future; he now has close links with the Liberal Democrats, for whom he would be an asset. Mrs Parkin said it was her intention to stand for one of the posts. There is a hardcore of committed and serious activists who were behind the initiative, and who feel that the party does have a future.

Parkin: decides to stand for new party post

It was undoubtedly a make or break decision, but the fact that the party has now equipped itself to take part in serious politics does not mean it can climb into a position of national relevance, or prove that the 1989 vote was anything but a fluke.

The government will demonstrate this week that it continues to take the environment seriously as a political issue when Michael Heseltine, the environment secretary, launches an account of its green performance over the past 12 months. Mr Heseltine will on Wednesday present an anniversary progress report on all 352 policy items contained in last September's environment white paper.

This morning, two of the leading environmental pressure groups, Greenpeace and Friends of the Earth, publish their own highly critical accounts of the government's performance, Greenpeace saying it has been characterised by confusion and gross incompetence, while Friends of the Earth say: "The government has done little to translate the fine words of the white paper into effective action."

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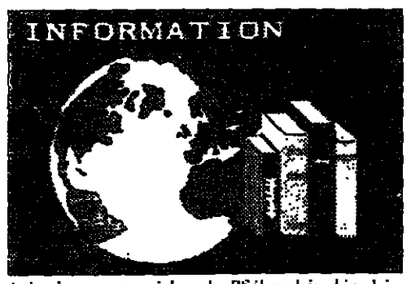

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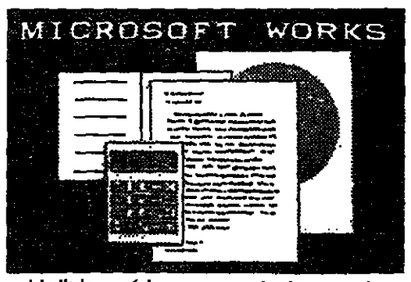

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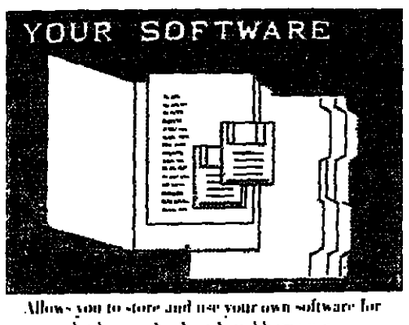

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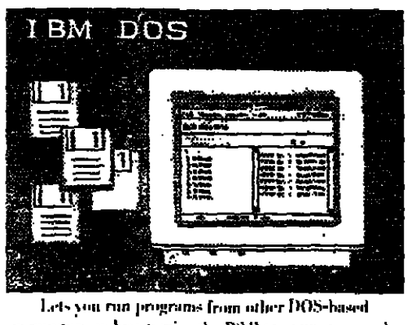

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Whitehall Brief

New horizons for official policy

EVERY middle-ranking official in Whitehall will be encouraged by a slim technical manual published today to add a new dimension to his or her thinking when drawing up a policy: the environment (Michael McCarthy writes).

Whitehall has strongly established patterns of thought, and to make the civil service as a corporate body think in a different way might seem a vastly more ambitious task than altering any number of individual policies. The environment department is attempting it, however, with a guide to policy appraisal. The purpose is to preserve the environment from incidental damage by any government policy by insinuating green awareness into the mental checklist of every under-secretary.

Such checklists dictate the way policy is framed throughout the government machine. At the top is usually resources: how much, asks the under-secretary, will each of these policy options cost? National security implications will be checked automatically; social consequences, perhaps. Hitherto, however, environmental impacts have escaped automatic consideration by many middle ranking civil servants. The guide suggests, gently but firmly, that this should change.

It does so by building on the concept of formal policy appraisal, introduced by the Treasury in 1984 for public investment; the systematic, imaginative codification of all the costs and benefits of a given initiative. For environmental impacts, the guide suggests the biggest step first: it invites every civil servant to consider them. Then it explains how they can be identified and quantified.

Finally, the guide suggests ways of weighing up environmental impact against other policy considerations. It is framed as advice to stimulate thinking, rather than rigid rules to be followed, partly to offset the boldness of its clear aim: to modify the outlook of the whole civil service. It was promised in a little-noticed paragraph of Chris Patten's environment white paper last year and is perhaps the single most important element in the greening of Whitehall.

The acceptance of the guide's message into Whitehall's culture, while not assured, is highly likely: its production has been overseen by a Treasury-chaired steering group of all the principal departments.

The guide's most radical aspect is its encouragement of officials to use the new techniques of putting monetary valuations on environmental assets, such as a landscape that might be destroyed by a motorway, as Twyford Down in Hampshire will be destroyed by the extension of the M3.

What might such a value be for Twyford Down? What if it were calculated to be more, over the next 100 years, say, than the £90 million for a tunnel that would save the Downland, which the transport department refuses to pay? Would it not then be cheaper to build the tunnel?

There, for Malcolm Rifkind, the transport secretary, may be food for thought.

Hyped up for Booker shortlist

By PHILIP HOWARD
LITERARY EDITOR

THIS is the week of the literary book bang, when media hype gets into the library. Tomorrow, the judges of this year's Booker Prize for fiction will draw up their shortlist. Usually there are six novels on the shortlist but this is not mandatory.

The intention of the prize is to award literary merit, raise the stature of the author in the public eye and increase the sale of the book. The shortlist will contain a selection from this year's first division of literary fiction, not station bookstall thrillers and romances that might sell more.

The judges this year are without the usual token media celebrity meant to bring in a bit of populism. All are fine and well known authors: one of them has won the Booker, one has been on the shortlist and one has won the Whitbread.

Once the shortlist is announced tomorrow afternoon, the hype starts. Bookmakers telephone literary editors to fix the odds, and ignore protests that books are different from horses. A bookshop chain threatens yet again to sell the shortlist at below the publishers' recommended prices.

Radio 4 is to broadcast the shortlist on *A Book At Bedtime*, and on October 22 the winner will be announced at Guild Hall and live on *The Late Show* on BBC2. The winner will get £20,000 and greatly increased sales for the book, as well as literary fame.

Predicting literary awards is a mug's game, but I shall be surprised if Iain Sinclair does not make it onto the shortlist with *Downriver*, and Julian Barnes with *Talking It Over*. But then, one is continually surprised by the Booker. That is one of its functions.

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Stately home owners plan tax campaign to preserve heritage

By SARAH JANE CHECKLAND, ART MARKET CORRESPONDENT

IF STATELY homes and their chattels continue to be dispersed at the present rate, there will soon be few homes left in private ownership, according to figures amassed by the Earl of Shelburne, the president of the Historic Houses Association.

Lord Shelburne plans to start a campaign next month advocating tax-free schemes to protect privately run heritage estates. Since 1972, about 400 historic houses have been sold, according to statistics compiled by his staff. They defined their target as "listed buildings occupied by the same family for two generations or more and supported by a land holding".

The list ranged from Heveningham Hall in Suffolk, currently in receivership, to a tiny round house occupied by the same family for 400 years. The annual average for sales is 21 over the past ten years, and the number of houses surviving under the definition is down to 1,540. In virtually every case, the contents have been sold on the art market. Other owners, Lord Shelburne included, have sold art works, using most of the proceeds to pay tax.

Owners with no assets other than art works get only a small percentage of the selling price because art is rated as "conditionally exempt" from tax, meaning that the tax bill is deferred until the owner decides to sell. When he goes to market, he finds himself with accumulative tax charges.

Lord Shelburne aims to persuade the government to allow owners to endow their properties with "tax-free irrevocable maintenance funds which will stay with a given house for ever and a day, funded by the owner". If the owner has to sell the property, the fund will remain with it.

He also wants the government to let those with an irrevocable maintenance fund transfer conditionally exempt works into it. The trustees would then have the option of selling a given work without incurring tax. Lord Shelburne, who lives at Bowood House in Wiltshire, believes that choice would give owners more power to operate as efficient businesses.

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Source: Historic Houses Association

TED BATH

Time to reflect: a young campaigner and a more seasoned member of the Southern Skirmish association take a break from combat yesterday during the re-enactment in Bath of an American Civil War battle

Dangerous prisoners break out

Two prisoners who escaped from Bedford jail yesterday are dangerous and should not be approached, police said. Lynford Morris, aged 27, and Andrew Smith, aged 24, broke out of the prison at 5am.

Morris, who was serving seven years for firearms offences, is described as West Indian, 6ft tall and slimly built. Smith, a white man on a 15-month sentence for burglary, is 5ft 11in and of average build.

Cell death

Anthony Wright, aged 20, of Nottingham, awaiting sentencing for burglary, was found hanged in his cell at a young offenders' centre at Glen Parva, Leicestershire.

Bible sales fall

Sales of the Bible are expected to fall from 1,100,000 copies to 700,000 this year because of the recession. One publisher, the Bible Society charity, is making 12 people redundant.

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Fitness and fresh air on two wheels

Whether for sport or health, cycling is riding on a fashionable and costly high, writes Ronald Faux

THE cycling enthusiast with jodhpur-shaped legs, an aura of embrocation and a £1,000 bicycle reckoned that 180 miles in a day was "no sweat". Fitness, rhythm, a carbohydrate diet and body salts topped up with electrolyte fluids allowed him to propel the machine at a rate many drivers might find respectable.

Cycling does not have to be quite so energetic, although competition is the spur for an increasing number of sportsmen and women. The middle ground between carbon fibre racers and those wheeled bedsteads that circulate in leisurely flocks through the streets of Oxford and Cambridge is held by the cycle tourer, ridden by those who prefer a gentler pace, enjoy forays along rough tracks and bridle ways and, like snails, carry their homes with them.

The Cyclists' Touring Club, the governing body for leisure and amenity cycling, says that the unobtrusive, quiet, relatively inexpensive and pollution-free qualities of the bicycle explain its increased popularity. For many it is the chosen route to physical fitness, less tedious than running and easier on the knees.

Cycle sales have outstripped new car sales over the past two years and the club calculates that Britain has 15 million cyclists. The designation of UK routes by the European Long Distance Paths Federation is expected to introduce thousands of European cyclists to Britain and, with longer holidays and a national awareness that fit people tend to live longer, interest is likely to increase.

Graham Hall, the Manchester cycling specialist, reports that sales of expensive machines, which can cost up to £3,600, have run at record levels this year.

"Very many pure mountain bikes never actually see a mountain track or the kind of rough, muddy terrain they are designed to cross," Mr Hall said. "People buy them when an ordinary machine would do the job just as well and probably with less effort."

The fatter, friction-generating tyres of the mountain bike demand more energy than a conventional tyre but many accept that disadvantage for the stability they give. Mountain bikes are available with sprung frames that absorb the hammering from rough tracks and allow the cyclist to maintain a steady pedalling rhythm on the flat and to move more quickly on rough descents.

Modern equipment is good, but Mr Hall recalled a recent rough terrain ride on a machine costing £1,200, kitted out with an ensemble that added a few extra hundred pounds.

He met a man wearing deerstalker hat, sports jacket and trousers held by cycle clips who was about to do the reverse trip on an ordinary bike, a boneshaker that probably cost him shillings when he was a lad. "He asked if he was on the right track, wished me a good day and pedalled off."

BARRY GREENWOOD

Fleet of pedal: Steve Calland, the Great Britain team cyclist, in full competition kit on his bike

MacLean publisher faces court action

By ROBIN YOUNG

ALISTAIR MacLean, the best-selling author who died in 1987, aged 64, is now fully occupied as a ghost writer. He is keeping two publishing houses and two authors supplied with plots and outlines for their forthcoming books.

The publishing house of HarperCollins, which has subsumed MacLean's original publisher, Collins, faces an action to be resumed before Stratford-upon-Avon magistrates today. Warwickshire trading standards officers allege that MacLean's name was used so prominently on the cover of *Death Train*, a book written by someone else, that customers were misled. The charge carries a maximum fine of £2,000. None the less, HarperCollins plans to publish another posthumous volume written in MacLean's style and using one of his story outlines in December, in time for the Christmas rush.

Next March Chapmans, the publishing house founded by Collins' former chairman, Ian Chapman, and his wife, Marjorie, will also resuscitate some work MacLean did not have time enough on this earth to complete himself. They have commissioned Simon Gandolfi to write Alistair MacLean's *Golden Girl*, which their list describes as "an exciting adventure thriller based on a detailed screenplay by Alistair MacLean".

United Nations prepares to act on Yugoslavia as echoes of Beirut grow louder

Dirty war takes on a surreal air

Christopher Walker in Zagreb is reminded of Lebanon in the darkest days of the civil war, with rumours of atrocities readily believed

Gun law: a Croatian guard on duty in Zagreb, where tension was still high in spite of the ceasefire

THE dirty war being waged amid the elegant architecture and verdant countryside of what remains of Yugoslavia is as if the film *Last Year in Marienbad* were being acted by characters from Rambo with a script by the Marx Brothers.

The cast includes neo-fascist militiamen in designer sun-glasses and sweatbands who tout their automatic weapons on military dune buggies made from stripped-down Volkswagen Beetles. There are Serbian snipers who delight in targeting foreign journalists and a new Croatian defence minister, Gojko Susak, aged 46, who was an interior designer in Canada.

To complicate matters, Mr Susak's family had lived for the past 13 centuries in the neighbouring republic of Bosnia-Herzegovina where Muslims and Christians were joining forces yesterday to try to prevent reservists from Montenegro marching through to attack the Croats. At a press conference in the heavily sand-bagged Intercontinental Hotel, Mr Susak made a forceful impression. He would brook no suggestion of the small Croatian force — 42,000 professionals and 18,000 reservists — surrendering. It has against it 100,000 men in Croatia alone as well as tanks and warplanes.

"We are 4.5 million people who have waited eight centuries for this: no army can defeat us," he said, challenging the European Community to intervene. He did not mention that 12 per cent of the population is Serbian. The feeling on the streets is reminiscent of Beirut in the worst days of the civil war between Muslims and Christians (many of the staunchly Catholic Croats wear crosses around their necks). But everywhere are reminders that the conflict is taking place on the EC's doorstep.

Hatreds are so inbred that atrocity stories of heads used as footballs and genitals cut off are believed without question. Both sides accuse each other of being fascist while one prominent slogan on a Zagreb wall declares: "Marx, Lenin, Engels, Tito."

Despite modern equipment, communications are so bad that the offer by independent Croatia of a new ceasefire to begin yesterday could be relayed to Belgrade only via a facsimile machine in the Bosnian capital of Saravejo. All parties rely heavily on the BBC for information.

On the drive from Italy to the beleaguered Croatian capital, bucolic roadside picnics in Slovenia ominously give way to tank traps, makeshift hospitals and roadblocks manned by groups of vigilantes displaying signs of what an Irish court would term "having drink taken."

Zagreb is in a state of psychological war that grows more tense by the hour and is reinforced by a strict night-time blackout. Cars are warned by radio to give priority to emergency vehicles and the few that venture out have their headlights taped.

Battle fatigue: Gojko Susak, Croatia's defence minister, outlining a ceasefire plan on Saturday. He offered to restore supplies to besieged army units

Yesterday, the sirens began at 9.30am. Panicky parents clutched children and ran for cellars. Even the hapless EC observers in their white Jeeps were forced to seek shelter. Civilians who did not were ordered below ground by officious women wardens wearing armbands in the Croatian colours of red, white and blue.

Last week federal air force MiGs destroyed the Croatian television transmitter. The fear now is of more concerted attacks. A huge tunnel, dug under the old city in the 1930s and not used since the second world war, has been re-opened as a mass shelter. Zagreb's defences evoke a mixture of Balkan theatricality and the air of an improvised, dangerous war.

Heavy container lorries are jammed across entrances to streets with army installations and tens of thousands of white sandbags piled against the windows of coal cellars used as shelters. Schools are closed and many residents rarely venture out.

But at Radicev Square, home of the government, the offices of Dr Franjo Tudjman, the president of Croatia, are protected by the recently resurrected praetorian guard in their ornate scarlet uniforms and gleaming boots. Elsewhere, militiamen from the ultra-right Croatian Party of Rights crouch with what look like Chicago-style Thompson machineguns under huge idealistic murals hanging on their headquarters.

On Saturday night the capital was rocked by mortar and machine-gun fire aimed from one of the beleaguered federal Yugoslav army barracks at residential targets. Frightened citizens speak of concealed snipers firing nightly under cover of the blackout, but claims are hard to verify.

Inside the shell-pocked headquarters of the federal 5th Army division covering Croatia and Slovenia, General Andrija Raseta welcomed the return of light and water for the first time since the blockade against the army was ordered.

"I am glad the riots in England have quietened down enough to enable you to come," he joked, under a huge bust of Tito. It seemed a good moment to take the general's advice and relax with some light-hearted comment on the situation until a colleague cautioned that a Danish EC observer was shot in the thigh walking out of the building last week.

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Advance through Bosnia threatens to fan conflict

By Roger Boyes, East Europe Correspondent

THE Yugoslav army push through the ethnically mixed republic of Bosnia-Herzegovina may have tossed a match into the traditional tinder box of the Balkans. That, at any rate, was the view yesterday from Sarajevo, where senior politicians expressed bewilderment at the apparent collapse of all federal government authority in the face of the army's campaign.

A Bosnian government delegation travelled at the weekend to the defence ministry in Belgrade to plead for an immediate army withdrawal from Bosnian territory. But the politicians were stonewalled by the deputy defence minister, Admiral Stane Brovic, who declared: "There's nothing I can do."

As Bosnian cabinet members and the republican prime minister said yesterday, if muslims and Croats make common cause against the federal army and Serbs, there will be a terrible explosion. Bosnia is predominantly muslim — about 40 per cent of the population — but also has a large proportion of Serbs (32 per cent) and Croats (18 per cent).

The communities have been kept in a rough, happy balance first under Tito — who is still treated with respect in the republic — and during the subsquent years of collective Yugoslav leadership. But the Serb minority has been radicalised and is using Bosnian based camps to support the Serb guerrillas fighting in Croatia. That, in turn, has led to the radicalisation of both the Croats and the muslims in Bosnia.

The short drive across the Save river from beleaguered eastern Croatia into Bosnia takes one first through villages displaying the red and white chequered crest of the Croats, then through communities with SDS (Serbian Democrat party) slogans and, within a few miles, to townships with minarets, posters for the muslim movement SDA and even

green islamic flags with a white crescent at the centre.

Many muslims feel a natural alliance with the catholic Croats against the orthodox Serbs. This is partly historical conditioning, and the memory of how Serb chetniks massacred thousands of muslims in the east Bosnian village of Foca during the second world war. Now, however, there is some suspicion about the Croatian leadership which a few months ago was thinking aloud chopping up Bosnia, awarding Bosnian Croats to Croatia, and Bosnian Serbs to Serbia, while leaving the rest as a very much reduced muslim mini state. Serbs, for their part, say they would accept an intact Bosnia in a federal Yugoslavia under Serbian domination; if the Bosnians were not willing to accept that, then Bosnian Serbs should be allowed to break away and join a Greater Serbia.

There are various proposals for the dismemberment of Bosnia and the Bosnian leadership was slowly coming to terms with the idea that their republic might be split into self governing Croatian, Serbian and muslim cantons. But the army has cut off such deliberations by stopping on Bosnian soil.

The initial guess was that the Yugoslav army was on the way from Montenegro to relieve the besieged army barracks on the Dalmatian coast and in central Croatia. But yesterday the two army columns stopped in their tracks after making contact with the Serb guerrillas.

The muslims showed that they were in fighting mood earlier this month when they arrested the defence minister of the self-proclaimed Serbian republic of Krajina. Milan Martic — who is in fact simply a Serb guerrilla leader — was charged with carrying automatic weapons through Bosnian territory. The Serbs threatened to bombard the police station with mortar fire unless he was released. Smarting with humiliation, the muslims eventually gave in.

The muslims have the most to lose from a change in the Yugoslav status quo. All three ethnic communities in Bosnia are heavily armed, but the muslims seem to have acquired an extremely large number of automatic weapons. This may be linked with recent high level contacts between the Bosnian leadership and Libya and Iran, who have never been shy in the past in financing the defence of islamic communties.

Even the most peaceful negotiated settlement involving the disintegration of Bosnia would leave the muslims with a thin, and very exposed, stretch of territory. Bosnia cannot be split into three ethnically pure parts without its population being forced into large scale migration.

Some army commanders were yesterday telling Bosnian politicians that they had come to the Bosnian republic as a peace keeping force to pull apart the warring Serb and Croatian communities. But few attached any credibility to this claim. In Bosnia itself the local communities are not yet at war.

Hurd puts idea of arms embargo

From James Bone in New York

DOUGLAS Hurd, the foreign secretary, will today sound out members of the United Nations security council about intervention in Yugoslavia, including an oil and arms embargo.

British sources said yesterday that Mr Hurd agreed in principle that the foreign ministers of the 15-nation council should meet on Yugoslavia this week as requested by France, the council president. But intensive consultations were needed before the meeting was held, probably on Wednesday or Thursday, the sources said.

Britain opposes the dispatch of UN peacekeeping troops unless a ceasefire holds and all sides accept their presence. The security council is expected to adopt a resolution endorsing European Community efforts to bring peace to Yugoslavia. Measures to isolate the country's federal government diplomatically are also being considered. Mr Hurd was scheduled to arrive in New York last night for a week-long stay. He spent yesterday in Ottawa, where he discussed Yugoslavia with Canadian leaders who last week formally brought the issue to the UN's attention.

The foreign secretary's first bilateral meeting in New York was expected to be with Hans van den Broek, the Dutch foreign minister, and EC president. Mr Hurd, who is due to address the 166-nation UN General Assembly on Wednesday, will have to overcome strong resistance by some security council members to what they see as UN interference in Yugoslavia's internal affairs.

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● London: The Labour party yesterday called for economic sanctions to be imposed on the Yugoslav federal government and a ban on military supplies to the country.

US may clip B2's wings

Washington — The B2 stealth bomber faces a serious threat to its future when the Senate votes this week on whether to fund four more of the $850 million (£490 million) aircraft (Martin Fletcher writes).

Support for the B2 has always been thin, but it has been further eroded by the collapse of communism in the Soviet Union.

Cambodia deal

New York — A United Nations peacekeeping force of 200 will go to Phnom Penh, the Cambodian capital, in November in anticipation of a peace settlement (James Bone writes). Jean-David Levitt, France's chief negotiator at the peace talks, said: "It is to show the UN flag ... give a psychological presence."

King's order

Port Shepstone — King Goodwill Zwelithini of the Zulus commanded his people to lay down their weapons and honour a peace pact that was signed with the South African government and the African National Congress on September 14. *(Reuter)*

School strip

Delhi — About 80 Indian girls aged between 15 and 16 were stripped by their teachers during a search for 150 rupees (£2.90), which a pupil said was missing, at a government-funded school in Delhi. The principal and two staff have been suspended. *(Reuter)*

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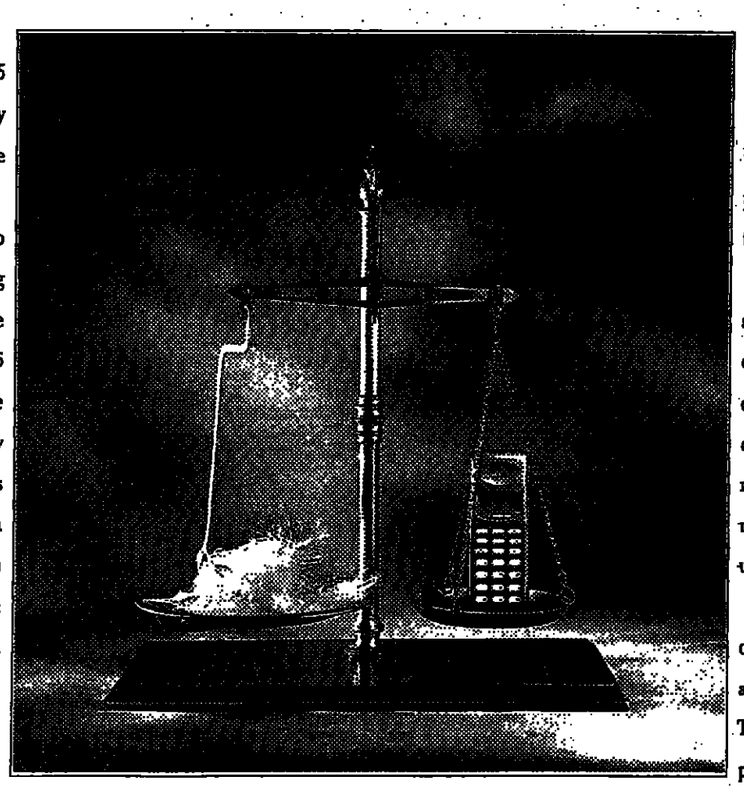

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Dilemma for Bush as Israel and Iraq disputes intensify

From MARTIN FLETCHER IN WASHINGTON

IN AN effort to cool his administration's confrontation with Israel, President Bush may use his annual speech to the UN General Assembly today to call for the repeal of the assembly's infamous 1975 resolution equating Zionism with racism.

As he worked on the speech at Camp David over the weekend, Mr Bush was also being urged by some aides to announce a deadline for Iraq to agree to unimpeded UN helicopter inspections of its weapons facilities or face a fresh display of American military power. If he agreed, Mr Bush could make the deadline as early as Wednesday, giving the Pentagon just enough time to install the Patriot missile batteries demanded as a safeguard by Saudi Arabia.

There were cogent arguments for and against both moves. In seeking to placate Israel, Mr Bush risks upsetting Arab states at a critical juncture in his administration's attempts to convene a Middle East peace conference. It is also apparent that President Bush's top officials disagree on the wisdom of threatening Iraq with military force. Sick of President Saddam Hussein's defiance, Brent Scowcroft, the US national security adviser, is reportedly determined to teach the Iraqi leader a lesson by ordering American warplanes to escort the UN helicopters. But Richard Cheney, the defence secretary, and Colin Powell, chairman of the joint chiefs of staff, apparently consider such action premature and imprudent unless backed by the redeployment of substantial firepower to the Gulf to ensure success. James Baker, the Secretary of State, is said to be concerned about the impact on his Middle East peace efforts.

The UN demanded last Tuesday that Iraq provide a written guarantee not to interfere with the UN helicopter inspections, but by yesterday morning Baghdad had still not complied. The 1975 General Assembly resolution, which described Zionism as a "form of racism and racial discrimination", has always been resented by Israel, and calling for its repeal would help Mr Bush regain the confidence of the Israeli government.

The president has not only demanded that Congress delay action on Israel's request for $10 billion (£5.8 billion) in housing loan guarantees until Arab-Israeli peace talks are under way, but aides have strongly hinted that he will make his ultimate approval conditional on Israel freezing settlement activity in the occupied territories. Such a call could undermine the tortuous efforts of Mr Baker to convene those talks.

Mr Baker returned from another Middle East mission at the weekend with the Palestinians still not committed to attending and without the final agreement of either Syria or Jordan. A second important factor Mr Bush was weighing is the need for the resolution to be repudiated overwhelmingly to demonstrate the UN's change of attitude. American diplomats seeking support at the UN last week were not certain that outcome could be achieved.

Resolution 3379 was passed by 72 votes to 35 in 1975, with 32 countries abstaining, but that was at a time when many Third World countries, backed by the Soviet bloc, were vociferously anti-Western. Washington was hoping that communism's collapse would leave only Arab states opposed to the resolution's repeal.

● Jerusalem: American Jewish leaders have told Israel that building settlements in the occupied territories is damaging their lobbying on Israel's behalf in Washington, newspapers reported yesterday.

Front-page reports in *Ma'ariv* and *Hadashot* suggested a widening rift between Israel and its American Jewish supporters over how to deal with President Bush's insistence on delaying consideration of loan guarantees to Israel. The warning came as Israel radio and newspapers reported plans to break ground tomorrow for a settlement bordering on the occupied West Bank. Yitzhak Shamir, the Israeli prime minister, would attend the ceremony, the reports said.

The settlement, called Cochav Yigal, is apparently part of a network of outposts planned by Ariel Sharon, Israel's housing minister, along the Israel-West Bank border.

Fight to the death: Marie Sara, a French matador, fighting her first bull after her investiture by the Mexican woman bullfighter, Conchita Cintrón, during the wine harvest festival in Nîmes, southern France

Palestinians split on whether to join peace talks

From RICHARD BEESTON IN JERUSALEM

A DIVIDED Palestinian leadership will be forced this week to make one of the toughest and possibly most momentous choices of its history when the Palestine National Council, the nation's parliament in exile, decides whether to attend next month's proposed Middle East peace conference.

Yassir Arafat, the Palestine Liberation Organisation leader, and delegates from a broad spectrum of Palestinians in exile must decide whether to attend the American and Soviet sponsored peace talks, intended for the first time to bring Israeli, Palestinian and neighbouring Arab leaders into face-to-face negotiations.

On his arrival in Algiers yesterday, Mr Arafat refused to comment on the likely outcome of the weeklong meeting, although on Saturday he said that existing American assurances for the conference were not adequate to win Palestinian acceptance. However, Mr Arafat knows that he cannot afford to turn down an invitation to the peace talks.

Senior Palestinian sources predicted yesterday that the Palestine National Council would vote in favour of attending the conference, but make their acceptance conditional on a six-point guarantee presented to James Baker, the US Secretary of State, last week. The demands are that before attending any talks Palestinians would need guarantees that Israel would freeze its settlement of the occupied territories; that exiled Palestinians and those from Arab east Jerusalem, annexed by Israel in 1967, should be represented at the talks; and that Washington should commit itself in principle to an Israeli withdrawal from all territory occupied by Israel in 1967 and the right of Palestinians to self-determination.

Although the demands stand little chance of acceptance, Bassam Abu Sharif, a PLO spokesman, yesterday attempted to put a positive outlook on the council meeting. He told the BBC: "What I am sure of is that we have an overwhelming majority who are practical, moderate and pragmatic and who would like to see peace return to the Middle East."

But thousands of Palestinians have rejected the peace talks as little better than capitulation. In Jordan, 93,000 Palestinian refugees from 11 camps signed a petition dismissing the American plan and were supported by another 180,000 Palestinian signatories from Lebanon and Syria.

Already Nayef Hawatmeh, the hardline leader of the Democratic Front for the Liberation of Palestine, has refused to attend the council meeting, as has the Islamic fundamentalist movement Hamas, which considers any territorial compromise with Israel over Palestine complete capitulation.

Saddam plots his response to US

From ADAM KELLIHER IN NICOSIA

PRESIDENT Saddam Hussein of Iraq spent the weekend with his inner circle of defence and security advisers, apparently plotting a response to Washington's threat to use American airpower to escort United Nations helicopters on arms-inspection flights.

Officials in Washington have played down the prospects of another Gulf war, but the move reflects increasing frustration within the administration over Saddam's obstinacy in not fulfilling the UN ceasefire terms imposed after his military misadventure in Kuwait.

In Baghdad, the official Iraqi media said Saddam on Saturday called a meeting of key members of the Revolutionary Command Council, the supreme ruling body in the dictatorship. It said the meeting was attended by two of Saddam's relatives, Ali Hassan al-Majid, the interior minister who masterminded the quelling the Kurdish and Shia rebellions in the wake of the Gulf conflict, and Hussein Kamel Hassan, the defence minister. Also present was Izzat Ibrahim, a Saddam backer, who is vice-chairman of the council.

Mr Bush's anger has increased as Iraq's techniques for evading UN inspections became more feckless. Soldiers once opened fire at inspectors who arrived at a possible nuclear weapons development site, and Iraqi authorities also tried to prevent detection of some 36 lb of semi-enriched uranium by driving the material around Baghdad in the back of a lorry.

In a separate development, Shirley Richter, the wife of the British businessman jailed in Baghdad for more than five years, has left Britain for Baghdad to plead for his release. Ian Richter was imprisoned in 1986 for allegedly bribing Iraqi officials. His case is being handled by the Soviet embassy because Britain has no relations with Iraq.

Release of Mann is 'still imminent'

By OUR FOREIGN STAFF

JACK Mann, the British hostage in Lebanon, may still be released within days or weeks, despite recent setbacks in efforts to end the ordeal of all the hostages, a key Islamic leader said yesterday.

Sayyed Husain Musawi, a member of the ruling council of the pro-Iranian Hezbollah (Party of God), claimed that the kidnappers were dismayed by what he called Israel's refusal to honour agreements on the number of Arab prisoners they should release. He added that Islamic feelings were provoked by the public appearance to receive an award for a children's book in London last week of Salman Rushdie, the author accused by Muslims of blaspheming Islam in his book *The Satanic Verses*. But, he told BBC Radio 4's *Sunday* programme, he thought the release of Mr Mann, aged 77, was still imminent.

Sayyed Musawi said Islamic groups wanted immediate clarification from the British government about its role in the Writers' Guild of Great Britain award to Mr Rushdie. The Foreign Office declined to comment.

Javier Pérez de Cuéllar, the United Nations secretary-general, said at the weekend he was confident all hostages would be released "eventually".

Rushdie: acceptance of award "incensed Islam"

Peeved dictator mourns mother of limousines

By MARTIN FLETCHER

PRESIDENT Saddam Hussein's reasons for continuing to defy America in every way he can are perfectly obvious: Washington has stolen his favourite toy, a black Cadillac limousine, and will not give it back.

The vehicle is not just any old limousine. It cost the Iraqi dictator a whopping $300,000 (£174,000). It is bomb-proof, plated with heavy armour and has bulletproof tyres. It is even equipped with tear-gas dispensers against the unlikely day Saddam finds himself surrounded by rioting Iraqi mobs demanding his head.

Why so popular a leader should need this mother of all limousines is unclear, but in any event Saddam purchased it in 1988 from O'Gara-Hess and Eisenhardt, a manufacturer of armoured vehicles based in Cincinnati, Ohio. Those were the days, of course, when America and other Western nations could not sell enough to Iraq. The car was exported to Baghdad in November that year but was shipped back to the United States in June 1990 for overhaul.

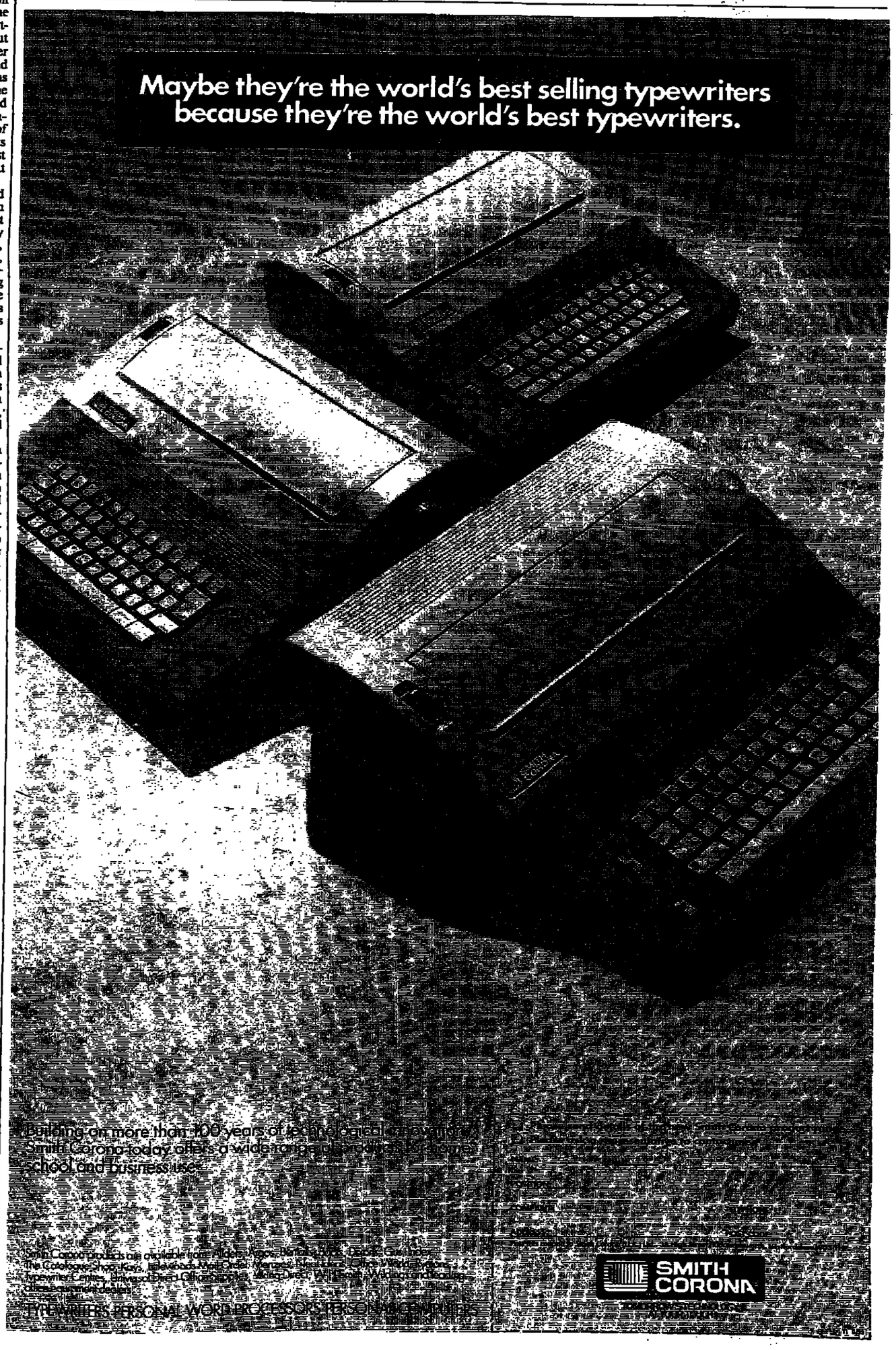
Two months later, on the day that Iraq invaded Kuwait, the car was in Detroit in in the workshops of the E.C.S. Roush company, having its engine rebuilt. There it was impounded by gleeful American customs officials who issued a press release headlined "Is Saddam walking?" Donald Watson, assistant commissioner of customs in Chicago, said: "We have reason to believe that this car might have been used by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein. In any case, he's not going to get it back."

Thirteen months later the limousine has been moved back to the Cincinnati factory of O'Gara-Hess and Eisenhardt where, according to Bill O'Gara, a director, it is "gathering dust". Moreover, he complains, his firm is considerably out of pocket as a result.

Deprived of his limousine, Saddam reportedly used a green mobile home called a "Wanderlodge" as a portable command centre during the Gulf war, dodging allied air strikes by keeping constantly on the move. The war may long since be over, but President Bush has no intention of returning the car. Not only do all Iraqi assets in America remain frozen by presidential order, but Mr Bush wants to ensure that Saddam remains as exposed and vulnerable as possible to an assassin's bomb or bullet.

The administration has always denied, albeit with little credibility, that coalition air strikes ever specifically targeted Saddam during the war, but Mr Bush has since had no qualms about urging others to remove him, repeatedly urging the Iraqi military to take matters into their own hands.

As the 1992 presidential campaign gets under way, Mr Bush is likely to be increasingly embarrassed by Saddam's continuance in power.



Hong Kong liberals attack governor's choices for council

By DAVID WATTS, DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT

HONG Kong's pro-democracy liberals have reacted angrily to governor Sir David Wilson's naming of several appointees to the legislative council at the weekend. They say the appointments do not match the pro-democracy tide that became apparent in the first direct elections to the council a week ago.

In the interim, Martin Lee, the leader of the United Democrats of Hong Kong, had presented to the governor a list of those he wished to see appointed. None of them appeared on Sir David's list.

Under the limited democracy in Hong Kong, 18 of 60 seats in the legislative council are directly elected. The rest are appointed by professional groups or chosen by the governor. Last Sunday the United Democrats won 16 seats through the ballot box.

Mr Lee said last night: "The governor has missed a golden opportunity of allowing democracy to develop under the present restrictions. If he had appointed a few people who are fair-minded on the issues, he would have gone a long way to helping democracy to develop.

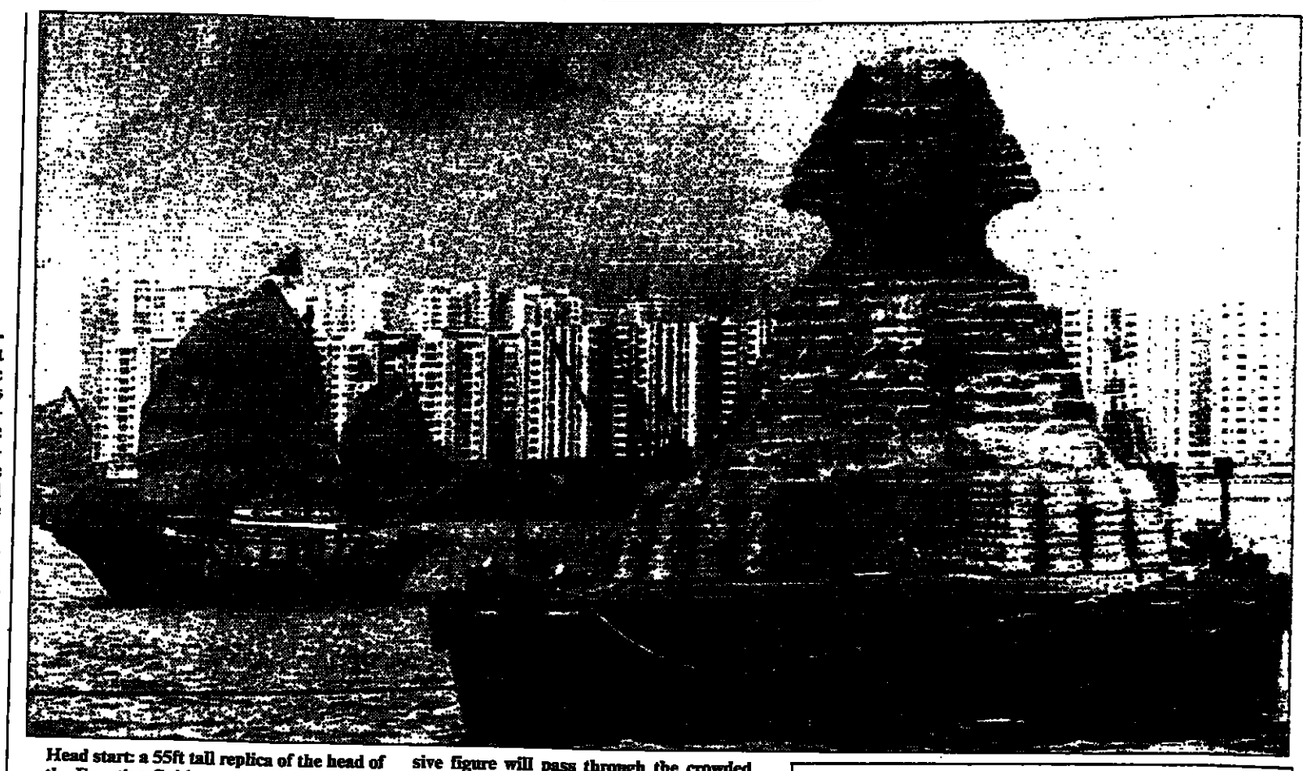
"He has clearly stifled the will of the people. They want democrats and people who are willing to criticise the government," he said. By Hong Kong standards Sir David's appointees were all conservatives.

"We had hoped that the governor could give effect to the clear wishes of the people, so clearly expressed in last Sunday's direct elections," Mr Lee said. "They chose their representatives to represent them in legislative council, only to find these people's representatives all swept aside through these appointees."

The governor's list includes seven reappointments and ten new members, all of whom are virtually unknown outside their professional fields. Three are academics and the others are businessmen or professionals, largely working in social services. "None of them are eye-catchers," one observer commented. "The best you can say is that they are neutral." The appointments were made despite the welcome by Douglas Hurd, the foreign secretary, for the results in the elections, which he said opened "a new and encouraging chapter" in the history of the colony.

Sir David, who said he had aimed for neutral figures, appears to have tried to walk a particularly sensitive line between provoking Peking and completely alienating the likes of Mr Lee, who is seen as a subversive by the Chinese government.

○ **Hanoi:** United Nations, Hong Kong and British officials arrived in Hanoi yesterday for new talks on the Vietnamese boat people, whose numbers in Hong Kong holding camps have hit a 12-year high of 63,100. Police shot dead a Vietnamese man during a fight between rival gangs in one of the camps yesterday. *(Reuter)*



Head start: a 55ft tall replica of the head of the Egyptian Sphinx beginning its journey through Kowloon harbour yesterday. The polyethylene replica of the Sphinx was being towed to Hong Kong University's Stanley Ho Sports Centre to promote a multi-million dollar production of Aida at the sports complex. The production has been organised by the Italian operatic entrepreneur, Guisseppe Raffa. The massive figure will pass through the crowded inner harbour again today, incongruous amid the racing yachts and ferries and against the backdrop of modern Hong Kong. The production, which is due to open in early November, has already run in New York and Toronto where huge crowds and countless amateur photographers were attracted to the image of the Sphinx.

LUSAKA NOTEBOOK by Jan Raath

Writers relish new freedoms

Autocracy's decline in a country is usually followed by a rush of new newspapers and magazines as journalists begin to savour the delights of press freedom.

In Zambia, that rush has been more of an explosion. After President Kaunda ended the one-party state and the opposition Movement for Multiparty Democracy forced a constitution on him, Lusaka has seen the launch of ten new publications in the past month. Not only have new dailies and Sunday papers appeared, but weeklies on politics and international affairs, and publications in the vernacular, for children, on wildlife, and on sexual and personal matters have appeared on the newsstands.

Only one paper, the *Weekly Post*, is independent. The rest are all from the stable of the *Times of Zambia* newspaper group, owned by the government. Mysteriously, the group has employed no new staff and all the titles will have to draw on the same limited pool of newsprint. Journalists here say the result is a drop in the print run of the *Times of Zambia* from 30,000 to 12,000, creating confusion where the papers are sold.

True to its motto, the *Weekly Post*, "the paper that digs deeper", kicked off its first edition with a scoop alleging corruption in the copper trade, as a result of which the proprietors have been told that they are being sued for 100 million kwachas (£2.5 million). Robinson Makayi, the editor, says he is not worried, because he is in possession of documents from a government investigation.

The *Post* is the first cheerful development in the Zambia newspaper business since the 1970s, when Mr Kaunda nationalised the press. With a board of directors that includes figures from the ruling United National Independence party, the opposition, the chairman of the Anglo-American Corporation of Zambia, and a descendant of the Beit family, the colonial philanthropists, it provides refreshingly critical reporting.

Changes in Southern Africa require a new look at old institutions. The headquarters of the African National Congress, a dowdy single-storey building in a back street off Cairo Road, has all but closed up now that the organisation's leaders have returned to South Africa. There are plans to turn the building, where innumerable strategies against Pretoria were hatched, into a museum.

At the same time, the opposition, confidently expecting to win the elections in October, is deliberating about what to do with the ruling party's headquarters. Situated on Independence Avenue and overlooking the statue of freedom — a slave snapping his chains, excuted in classic stalinist style — the monstrous 17-storey edi-

fice, which dwarfs all Lusaka, has never been finished.

The Chinese construction company engaged to build it lost patience more than a year ago with the start-stop project, with interruptions apparently related to the availability of ruling party funds, and built its own Chinese restaurant instead — an imposing pagoda-style construction called "The Wall" — to justify its continued existance in Lusaka. Sources in the opposition movement say they are thinking of turning the ruling party's headquarters into a hospital.

Press in Pakistan hails solo princess

From CHRISTOPHER THOMAS IN ISLAMABAD

HERALDED by extensive and flattering press coverage, the Princess of Wales arrives in Pakistan today for her longest solo official visit abroad. The highlight will be a trip through the Khyber Pass, the scene of some of the most humiliating routs of British colonial history. She will also visit the Sandy Gall prosthetics centre in Peshawar, a frontier town were many victims of the Afghan war seek medical help.

The royal tour was originally planned for last September, when she would have been accompanied by the Prince of Wales. But the dismissal of Benazir Bhutto's government and the subsequent general election intervened. The Pakistan government has said the Prince of Wales is welcome at any time but did not specifically on this occasion issue an invitation. Miss Bhutto, on a lecture tour in the United States, sent a letter and a gift to the princess, which will be handed to her today.

Not everybody in Pakistan has a close knowledge of the British royal family, judging by the comments of a taxi driver in one front-page newspaper article yesterday. He was quoted as saying that he had always wanted to see Queen Victoria and was now glad of the opportunity to do so. The Pakistan hairdressers' federation has sent a message virtually begging the princess's personal hairdresser to visit them to reveal some of his secrets.

The popular press is represented in strength, and the headline "Princess up the Khyber" has already been written. Photographers are hoping she will demonstrate the same spontaneity towards Pakistan's undernourished children as she did to young Aids victims in Brazil last month. Her packed schedule includes a visit to a small family welfare centre that provides child health care.

The princess's official engagements begin in Islamabad, the capital, when she visits the commonwealth war graves cemetery.

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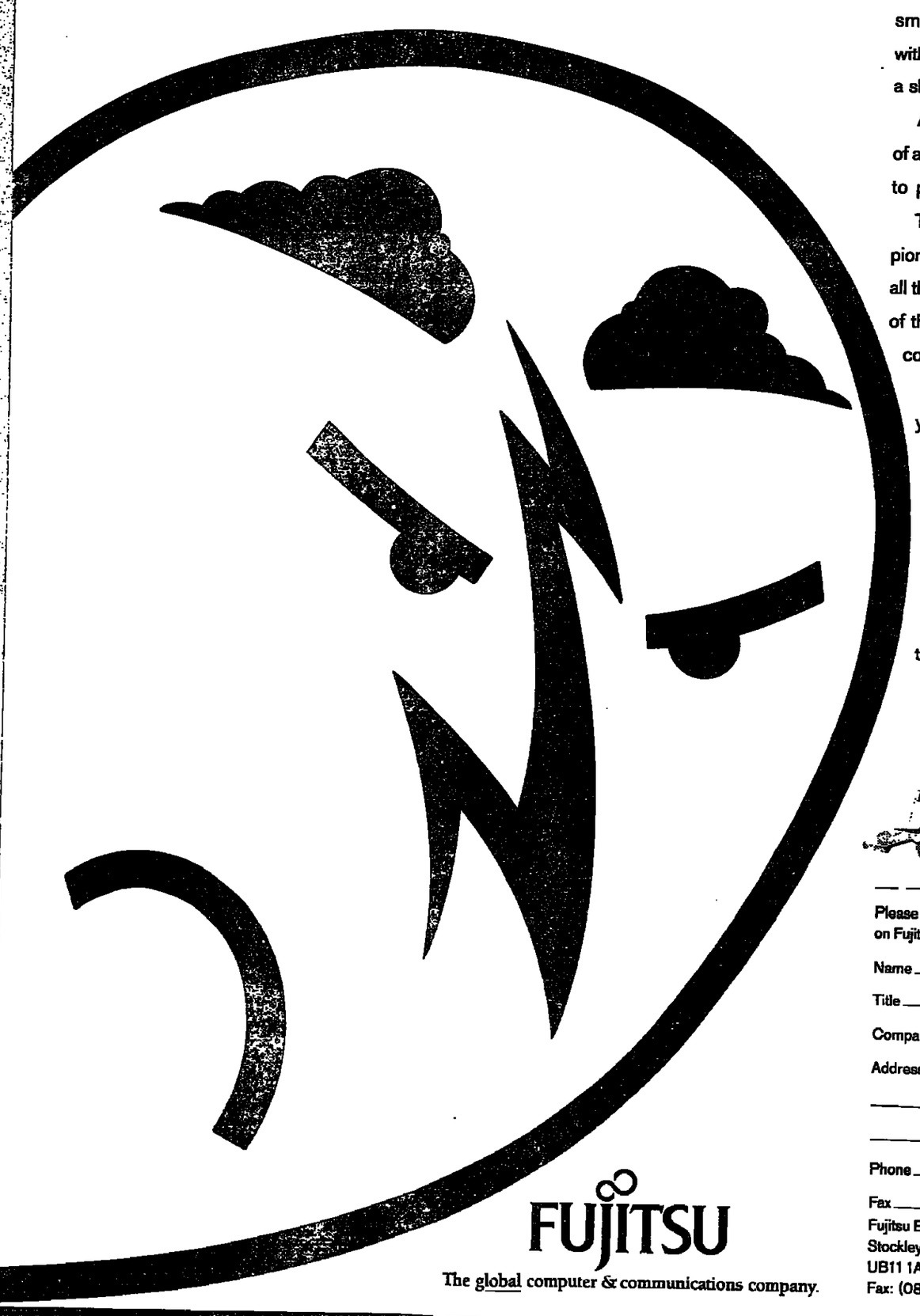

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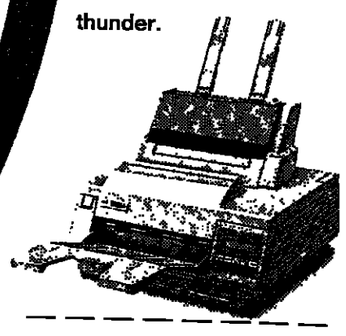

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Georgians fear clashes after riots rock city

From BRUCE CLARK IN TBILISI

GEORGIA's capital was bracing itself for bloody armed clashes last night after a weekend of rioting left government supporters in control of the city centre and their opponents, armed with machine guns and backed by armoured cars, holed up in the broadcasting headquarters.

As supporters of Zviad Gamsakhurdia, the nationalist president, rejoiced after routing and expelling opposition activists from central Tbilisi, their adversaries — who include some of Georgia's most distinguised intellectuals — were expecting an armed assault on the television centre.

Tense negotiations were under way between government officials, on one hand, and Tengiz Kintovani, the national guard commander, on the other, who has sent armoured vehicles and at least 200 men armed with rifles to defend the broadcasting centre which has become one of the few remaining bastions of the president's opponents. There was an atmosphere of resentment in the city yesterday, after rival supporters argued, accused each other of treachery and brawled for nearly 20 hours before a confrontation in the early hours of the morning.

In the bitterest clash between fellow Georgians for a generation, a few hundred opposition activists stood recklessly on top of their makeshift barricades, while thousands of Gamsakhurdia supporters from the National Democratic party screamed abuse at them. Each side accused the other of conspiring with Moscow to harm Georgia. At least 20 people were injured after the pro-Gamsakhurdia mob finally scrambled over and through the barricades, chasing the opposition out of the city centre.

Mr Gamsakhurdia, speaking from a parliament building heavily defended by loyal guardsmen, police and groups of his supporters, denounced his enemies yesterday for mounting what he called "a coup" against him. "The *putschists* wanted to seize the president ... but they failed because the people supported their leader," he declared. Mr Gamsakhurdia was elected president with an overwhelming majority last May but he is now widely criticised for muzzling the press and harassing the opposition.

Thousands of national guardsmen, led by Mr Kintovani, renounced the president's authority last month after he tried to merge their force — Georgia's embryonic army — with the police under pressure from the organisers of last month's coup in Moscow.

In an attempt to avoid bloodshed, envoys of the president were talking last night both with Mr Kintovani and with Tengiz Sigua, the former prime minister who has become a standard bearer for the opposition after denouncing his government colleagues for complicity with the conspiracy against President Gorbachev.

Mr Sigua entered the television headquarters, paralysed by pickets for the past week, on Saturday night, accompanied by about 200 armed men.

He recorded an address to the nation, but it could not be broadcast because pro-Gamsakhurdia forces retained control of the television tower above the city. The picket at the broadcasting centre has been joined by virtually all the employees of Georgian television in protest against draconian state control over their work.

Fifth man mystery is solved

By DAVID WATTS
DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT

JOHN Cairncross, a former civil servant, has admitted for the first time that he was the fifth man who spied for the KGB in Britain while his controller has exploded one of the spy world's great myths — that there was a ring recruited at Cambridge in the 1930s.

He told *The Mail on Sunday* from his home in the south of France: "I was made one of the five during the war. I hope this will finally put an end to the fifth man mystery. I was promoted to become one of the five after the battle of Kursk in 1943. I had provided information which helped the Soviets to win that battle against the Germans."

Mr Cairncross's KGB controller, Yuri Modin, suggested he was the fifth man in a recent article in the Moscow magazine *Top Secret*, though he did not name him. Mr Modin insisted that the Cambridge five, Anthony Blunt, Kim Philby, Donald Maclean, Guy Burgess and Mr Cairncross, were not a team of agents or a communist cell.

He said it was a coincidence that the men all studied at Cambridge. "It was simply more efficient to concentrate our efforts on the most successful five agents. They will now go down in history as one of the greatest successful spy operations of the century. They are an example of deep intelligence penetration into the state apparatus of Great Britain, which by all objective criteria is one of the most effective, competent and reliable in the world."

Armenia votes for independence

Armenians, turning another page in their turbulent history, see Boris Yeltsin as a harbinger of peace, Robert Seely writes

ARMENIANS yesterday appeared to have voted overwhelmingly "yes" to secession from the Soviet Union. According to Babken Araktsian, the deputy speaker of the parliament, 99 per cent of those who voted on Saturday opted for independence.

Official observers here said that they were happy with the election procedures and that the results were genuine. The official declaration of independence is expected to be made today at a meeting of the republic's supreme soviet. An official American congressional delegation, now in Yerevan, will advise President Bush to recognise Armenian independence and sponsor its entry to the United Nations. Congressman James Sensenbrenner said: "The electoral procedures were at or above international standard. The only point we would make is that voters and electoral officers were a bit too exuberant in expressing their happiness inside the polling stations."

However, the American administration's reaction to Armenia's referendum will be influenced by decisions taken by the Russian president, Boris Yeltsin, who yesterday arrived in Yerevan for talks with the Amenian president, Levon Ter-Petrosyan.

Mr Yeltsin was greeted by several thousand Armenians when he arrived earlier in the day in the embattled enclave of Nagorno-Karabakh along with Nursultan Nazarbayev, the leader of Kazakhtan. "Boris, you are the hope of Karabakh," they chanted. Mr Yeltsin's arrival was not, however, applauded by members of the Azerbaijani minority in the region, which is part of the republic of Armenia.

"It was stormy, not easy in Stepanakert," Mr Yeltsin said. In a sign of his serious intent of peacemaking, his team was joined in Yerevan by Marshal Yevgeni Shaposhnikov, the Soviet defence minister. "The most important thing now, the root of the problem, is to come up with ways of ending the bloodshed in Nagorno-Karabakh," said Mr Yeltsin. The Russian president, whose efforts have short-circuited attempts by President Gorbachev to impose a solution, is trying to arrange an all-embracing peace conference on the Caucasus disputes, to be held in the southern Russian spa town of Mineralnye Vody.

An Armenian boy dances for joy in Yerevan

The referendum day turned into an independence festival as thousands took to the streets in a weekend of celebrations.

In Apagah, 18 miles from Yerevan, villagers had voted before midday and by lunchtime tables weighed down with *khashlama* and *lavash* — spiced mutton and Armenian bread — had been spread across the village square. The feast, which lasted all day, was interspersed by drunken toasts to independence, singing and dancing. To greet the arrival of European observers a sheep was dragged to the village polling booth where its throat was slit. "It is a greeting to you," said Haik Bagdasaryan, the chairman of the local election committee.

He said: "The people are hopeful. We know that independence cannot solve all our problems but it will be a boost for us. We have waited many years for this day. It is like a dream."

The chaotic celebrations continued into the night and early yesterday morning in Yerevan as the city's main Republic Square ground to a halt. Cars with horns blaring and packed with young men some clinging to bonnets or tucked into boots, raced around the city at frightening speed. Others stood atop lorries waving Armenian national flags. It was a bad weekend for pedestrians and sheep.

The spontaneous displays of dancing, aided by generous quantities of Armenian brandy, continued throughout yesterday too. In the republic's supreme soviet, temporarily functioning as a press centre, Armenians danced through its corridors. Above all the referendum results have reaffirmed Armenian pride. The weekend's outpouring of joy has been in marked contrast to the three years of communal anguish and powerlessness felt in the republic over their treatment by the Soviet and Azerbaijani governments.

The problems here include a continuing three-year blockade which has cut food and oil supplies from Azerbaijan. Airplane fuel is so scarce that there have been no flights to Moscow for three days.

Britain remains obstacle to EMU

From GEORGE BROCK IN APELDOORN

TEN weeks from the European Community summit at Maastricht, the question remains: will Britain ever be ready to merge the pound into a single European currency?

As the EC's finance ministers emerged from their weekend meeting on European monetary union making harmonious noises, the old battle still loomed. The issue most likely to derail EMU negotiations before the summit in early December is still Britain's insistence on a wider freedom of choice than any other community country.

After four years of debate over monetary union, Britain's entry to the exchange-rate mechanism, the departure of Margaret Thatcher and nine months of talks, London still has not said whether it shares its partners' goal of a single currency. During the drafting of the monetary union treaty to be signed at Maastricht, John Major and Norman Lamont, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, have managed to be involved without being committed. Britain plays a full part in mapping the route to monetary union, while clinging to what is known as its "general reserve" — a declaration that it does not already agree the final destination set out by the other 11 members.

Time is running out for this convenient hypocrisy. The draft treaty in its current form binds the Twelve to creating one money, although there is much complicated language devoted to explaining that the process may go at different speeds in different countries. Britain, one official said, wants a triple choice: joining a monetary union as quickly as possible; joining later; or not joining at all. The first two are built into the treaty; the third option, which Britain alone requests, is not.

Britain's partners talk as if it were a foregone conclusion that Britain will drop its insistence on open-endedness at the last minute and sign up to eventual union. But Mr Lamont still insists that the issue for Britain is "not when, but whether".

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Giscard flaunts race issue

Paris — The fight for the anti-immigrant vote in France is being waged openly as mainstream parties try to match the growing poll appeal of the right-wing National Front (Philip Jacobson writes).

With a new opinion poll putting Jean-Marie Le Pen, the front's leader, well ahead on "satisfactory solutions", the taboo on racial issues is all but gone. Valéry Giscard d'Estaing, the former president and head of the UDF party, boarding the bandwagon at the weekend, said France faced "an invasion" by undesirable foreigners and called for "a right of blood" to decide citizenship.

Deadlock ends

New York — Salvadorean rebel commanders have apparently broken the deadlock in United Nations-led peace talks by dropping a key demand that their forces should be merged with the army, diplomats at the UN said. The rebels will settle instead for assimilation into El Salvador's police force. *(Reuter)*

Briton freed

Ankara — Gareth Thomas, a British tourist, and three Americans and an Australian who had been searching for Noah's Ark are in good health and are savouring their freedom at an American air base in southern Turkey after being held by Kurdish separatists in mountain hideouts for three weeks. *(Reuter)*

Scrolls released

San Marino, California — Scholars throughout the world will be allowed to study 3,000 master photographic negatives of the Dead Sea Scrolls, held by the Huntington library here, William Moffett, the library's director, said. Until now access to the scrolls has been limited to a small group of scholars. *(Reuter)*

Attacks rise

Bonn — With radical right-wing skinheads increasingly staging organised violent attacks on people seeking asylum, police and local authorities have warned Bonn to bring in tight immigration controls. They say these are necessary to avoid the danger of widespread social unrest.

Soviet host fails to meet Gummer team

From CHARLES BREMNER IN MOSCOW

JOHN Gummer, the agriculture minister, and a mission of British food industry chiefs arrived in Moscow yesterday to survey the Soviet food distribution system, but their host could not be found.

Yuri Luzhkov, the official in charge of food procurement on the new state committee for the economy, had invited Mr Gummer to Moscow when he visited Britain last week and had been expected to greet him when he arrived with Alistair Grant, the head of Safeway, Tony Hales, the chief executive of Allied Lyons, and eight other company heads. But Mr Luzhkov was absent and British embassy officials had little idea of the group's itinerary.

The delegation is in Russia to find ways in which British expertise and funds can ease the inefficient food distribution system. Up to 70 per cent of Soviet food is lost before reaching consumers.

The Soviet Union has long-standing private networks for distributing fresh meat, vegetables and fruit in which the market mechanism operates. These are the farmers' markets, where prices for basic commodities are beyond the means of most citizens. The Soviet authorities have to find a way of converting the inept state supply system into a functioning market without allowing the dislocation that could provoke famine and civil unrest.

MOSCOW NOTEBOOK by Charles Bremner

Spirit of times past lingers on

If the spirit of Lenin was anywhere near Red Square at the weekend, it might have concluded that this was where he came in all those decades ago. A bedraggled crowd of workers huddled together waving banners in protest at the "repressive" behaviour of the Moscow authorities. "Hands off Lenin," they shouted while members of the "United Workers' Front" thrust copies of a makeshift newspaper at passers-by.

The tract, called *Molniya* (Lightning), could have come straight from the printing press of *Iskra* (Spark), Lenin's old underground publication. It even boasted that members of the persecuted communist party had staged a meeting right under the nose of the authorities.

The demonstration, to protest against plans to close the Central Lenin Museum and transfer his embalmed remains from the mausoleum to a St Petersburg cemetery, was one of an array of surreal visions to greet a correspondent who had left Moscow in 1986.

No matter how much you read about it and see it on television, coming face to face for the first time with the reversal of the old order produces amazement and not a little disbelief. Most striking is the absence of the old caution.

With the political clamp gone, everyone is talking politics out loud in front of strangers, freely to foreigners and endlessly. Around Red Square, gaggles of people gather in impromptu debates, hurling insults and friendly taunts at each other about everything from the nature of patriotism to the supposed autocracy of the new Tsar Boris. Topics that were sacred or taboo are openly reviled and aired.

Wander around town and the most visible signs of the August events, as they are called, are the non-statues, the naked pedestals that once held the fathers of bolshevism. Even those left standing, like Lenin and Marx, bear their share of jocular graffiti. "I'm sorry", someone has scrawled in huge letters on Marx's in the square named after him. This defacement of history is what is troubling the people across at the Lenin museum, whose sprawling tsarist chambers are stuffed with once holy relics such as Lenin's suits and shirt and are now the only place you can see the red banners that once splashed the city.

"Night has fallen on this country," says Nikolai Ivanovich, a grey-haired politics professor and proud communist who has come to voice disgust with the sacrilege that he says is being perpetrated by the new capitalist "dictators". "They are criminals out there, hooligans," says the professor, who is wearing two rows of campaign ribbons. There are tears in his eyes. *Pravda*, still the voice of the party though not officially, came to the leninist cause on Saturday, denouncing people who stooped to rewriting history. Now, since help for Lenin is clearly not coming at home, the museum is appealing to the world to save it and in something of a delicious irony, it is calling for donations from foreign firms in Moscow.

The only charity anyone seems to be patronising is not Lenin but the church, which has set up a wooden shrine complete with icon and candles on the corner of Red Square. Provided it raises the funds, it plans to rebuild the cathedral of the Virgin of Kazan which stood here until Stalin demolished it in 1936. Under the eyes of a priest, believers young and old are queuing to file past, to light a candle, say a prayer and drop a few roubles into the glass jar. Across the square, wedding couples are still queuing to pay the traditional respects at the Lenin mausoleum. But while one set of icons and dogma has been scrapped to be replaced with others, it seems that little has changed, at least not for the better, in the life of Russians. The same old crowds of shabbily-dressed and mournful figures surge through streets that are more dilapidated than ever. The shops are far emptier and money is giving way to barter.

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Target for cuts: Margaret and Ron Wink with a member of the Cabrach ROC team on a weekly visit to their nuclear warning bunker on a grouse moor in Banffshire

Last post on the Cabrach

With tinned peaches, goulash and memories, the Royal Observer Corps post 32 is signing off, **Alastair Robertson** reports

The six members of Royal Observer Corps post number 32 (Area 29) held their last supper in a 14ft by 8ft concrete bunker buried on the edge of a Banffshire grouse moor. They had goulash, powdered mashed potato, corned beef and a solid lump of oatmeal, to be eaten raw or turned into porridge. The pudding was tinned peaches, apple dumplings and chocolate.

"The peaches were very good, weren't they?" said Leading Woman Observer Margaret Wink. Her husband, Observer Ron Wink, warehouse supervisor at Parkmore distillery in nearby Dufftown, agreed. The goulash, too, was above expectation.

Ever since Kenneth Baker, the home secretary, announced in July that the Royal Observer Corps, veteran of the Battle of Britain, was to be "stood down" by the end of this month, little groups in bunkers from Shetland to Land's End have been tucking into their emergency rations if only to discover what, in the absence of a nuclear war, they have been missing all these years.

When Mr Baker announced that the ROC was surplus to requirement, he not only saved £6 million a year but snipped away a tiny and unsung segment of British life.

The loss, it is true, will go largely unnoticed. Except, perhaps, on Armistice Days. Its RAF-style uniforms packed off to government stores, the ROC will no longer parade at city cenotaphs or village war memorials. Nor, as things stand, will representatives of the 9,500 part-time civilian volunteers from 870 nuclear warning and monitoring posts across the land appear at the annual service of remembrance at the Royal Albert Hall. From this, the ROC's 50th aniniversary year, life will never be the same again.

Up at post number 32, almost 1,000ft above sea level in the Cabrach, a desolate plateau of heather and grazing, the news had been greeted with sadness and disappointment. Once a week in the summer, fortnightly in the winter, the Winks, an apprentice butcher, a temporarily unemployed oil rig worker and a cardboard carton maker from the Glenfiddich distillery have made the 14-mile trip from Dufftown to their bunker, buried in a roadside field and indistinguishable from a farm water cistern. Its only notable feature is a large television aerial. "No, no. That's the farmer's. He gets better reception from here," Mr Wink explained.

In the unlikely event of a nuclear strike on the Cabrach, three of the team would batten down with their blast and fallout measuring instruments, 21 days' supply of goulash and oatcakes, two bunks, duffel coats and a chemical lavatory. The three left outside would man a safe house in Dufftown. No one actually expected the Cabrach to be a target. The only sizeable habitation nearby is the Grouse Inn, a favourite with local coach parties.

Fifty years ago, observers at the Cabrach post scoured the skies for hostile Heinkels. Since the mid-1950s they have endlessly rehearsed reporting procedures during a nuclear strike. Their equipment — "let's just call them 'instruments' ", Mr Wink said, mindful of the Official Secrets Act — was erected on the bunker roof, along with the impressively named Ground Zero Indicator loaded with light-sensitive paper to identify the direction of a nuclear blast. The GZI also had an annoying tendency to record the path of the sun on bright days. On exercises, the Cabrach post reported into the United Kingdom warning and monitoring network, via British Telecom land lines. Thus, with reports of fallout levels and blast strengths pouring in from 870 bunkers, would the government identify the source and severity of an attack, had it not done so already. The hand-cranked siren issued in 1955 would have been hauled up the access shaft to sound last orders for the Grouse Inn regulars and anyone else downwind of its three-mile range.

"I seem to remember the police were to come out and stand on a hill to see if they could hear it," recalled Richard Donald, a one-time country schoolmaster in Strathbogie, downhill from the Cabrach. But nothing had happened. A talk at a local hotel on the issue of fallout monitoring instruments in an attack had, as far as he remembered, been sidetracked on the question of whether a local farmer should take his cattle in before or after sounding the alert.

But in the Cabrach there has been no such doubt. For the cost of their petrol, the Winks and their fellow observers have lugged five gallon jerry cans of water up the hill to their post, recharged banks of wet-cell batteries, swept the maroon wall-to-wall carpet installed at their own expense (the government-issue visitors' book, signed by an inspecting officer, records: "A neat and tidy post, well done") and honed their monitoring and reporting skills. The Cabrach has been an award-winning post for maintenance and efficiency. Mrs Wink, recruited by the mobile library van driver, wears a blue Spitfire on her shoulder, witness to her prowess in the minutiae of recording nuclear explosions.

There was no glamour in the job, the Winks agreed, and little excitement, although a member of CND had once asked if he could go down the bunker. He was told he could not and went away.

Mrs Wink had been invited to the royal review at ROC headquarters at Bentley Priory, the old Battle of Britain nerve centre in Middlesex. "I don't know which was more exciting; seeing the Queen or going in an aeroplane for the first time," Mrs Wink said. In the event, she had instinctively retired to the back of her group when the Queen approached. But it had been a great day out and, on balance, she thought the flight had been the best bit.

What will happen to the 870 ROC posts, nobody knows. "They would make good prisons, that's about all," Mr Wink said, locking up after eight years poised in defence of the realm.

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If the skin fits, wear it

Sue Townsend, a typical English prude, is learning to love her body

She stares provocatively at the camera, peeling off each garment without blushing. She stands in revealing bathing costume, an experienced smile plays about her lips and her eyes light up.

This is no porn movie. This is the writer Sue Townsend, a self-confessed former prude, learning to love her body at the age of 45, before a discerning BBC2 audience. Ms Townsend wrote, narrated and presented this first programme in *Think of England*, a new BBC series starting on Tuesday, October 15, which examines the eccentricities of English life.

The English attitude to the body has long been an emotional subject for Ms Townsend: "We are so shy and retiring about our bodies, so ill educated. We do not fit our skins." The latter is a French phrase coined to illustrate modesty and physical repression.

In the programme, Ms Townsend draws on her own experiences, describing every intimate detail that has affected her body. Not even her own funeral is sacred: in fact, she stages it for the camera. "I'm a diabetic, I smoke, I have already had one heart attack. Filming my own funeral was like saying 'yah boo' to death. 'Don't come for me because I'm waiting for you.' "

So what does she have in mind? "I certainly don't want a typical English funeral where people behave well and don't cry. I want wailing and gnashing of teeth, songs and poetry, everyone dressed in traditional black. Then back to my house for a great big party."

Less morbid references include her first experiences of the naked male body, at the war memorial in her native Leicester. "When I was a very young girl I spotted some of the statues were nude, and would walk miles out of my way to avoid looking at them. It embarrassed me."

Then on to Leicester Natural History Museum, where Ms Townsend sighted her first male genitalia: "They were attached to Barry, the stuffed giraffe. Basically I thought his balls were his penis and I got terribly confused about the sexual act as a result. Who could I have asked? It just wasn't the done thing."

Other locations used in the programme are as diverse as Blackpool waxworks and Centre Parcs, the plastic pleasure domes. "Our attitude changes on holiday," Ms Townsend says. "We're forced to wear bright colours, bare our bodies, rub smelly things into our skin. We are forced to be aware of our body and like it. Then suddenly the fortnight is over and it's back to sober outfits and modesty."

Ms Townsend uses Edith Sitwell as an example of human repression. "Her upbringing is a typical example of the way in which men have manipulated women's bodies. Because the fashionable shape of her era was small, frail and dainty, she was considered a freak. She was 6ft tall and had a huge frame. As a child her father had a doctor devise an iron cage which she slept in, in an attempt to stunt her growth.

"But as an adult she transcended this barbaric cruelty and turned her 'freakiness' into her trademark. She wore amazing hats and jewellery, fantastic clothing and led a fascinating life. She fitted her skin."

So how did making the programme affect the way Ms Townsend felt about her own body? "I have blossomed," she says. She traces it all back to the bags under her eyes. "They are my history. How they got there is my life story." To her they are both ugly and beautiful. "Cutting them away would be like cutting out a chapter of a book. I just have to put up with people constantly saying 'Are you tired? You do look tired.'

"All my life I've been intensely self-conscious. Adrian Molish. I have draped myself in black but longed to dress like the gangsters' molls in Hollywood films.

"I've resolved to change that about myself. For the programme I purchased the loudest swimming costume I could find. It was the bravest thing I ever did, walking out of that changing room and in front of those cameras."

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Sue Townsend and model man

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Does rolling your own cigarettes mark you as an arty rebel, or simply poor?

At last, recognition for those of us who still practise the arcane ritual of rolling our own cigarettes. And from no less a source than Dr Alan Blum, the chair of the American anti-smoking group, Doctors Ought to Care. Dr Blum, whose organisation campaigns to eliminate smoking, has upset the applecart by advising people who still feel they must smoke to stick to high-tar, hand-rolled cigarettes. His theory is that someone who smokes these will generally smoke fewer — because he or she is getting a strong dose of nicotine. And that it is better to smoke fewer, even if they are high in tar.

True or not, this is unlikely to gladden the hearts of roll-up smokers, precisely because they are generally the bolshie type. After all, we all know it is bad for us, but these are the choices. Think what you get when you buy a packet of cigarettes: 20 ready-made, uniform nicotine units wrapped in foil, cardboard, cellophane and a brand name that is some adman's fantasy.

These cigarettes can be useful in relieving the addict's craving for nicotine, but what do they do for your self-esteem as the chemicals in the tobacco making it burn brightly whether you participate or not, the packaging adding to the rubbish mountain? Nothing, except to remind you that you are a clone, one of a billion addicts.

But if you invest in a quarter ounce of hand-rolling tobacco and a slim packet of papers, you are buying into a different scenario. When that moment of social tension crops up and you reach for a smoke, you have plenty of time to avoid your companion's eyes, to prevaricate, to *think*. And people will sit patiently while you draw out that rustling little oblong, pinch tobacco, arrange it and roll it deftly.

After all that, you can light it, too. Again and again, because it keeps going out, until all that is left is a tiny pile of ash and shreds of tobacco on your lips.

This way is much cheaper, too, and if you are feeling particularly broke you can roll one as thin as a toothpick. A chain-smoking friend found he was still chain-smoking, but rolling tobacco was costing him half as much because the ritual took so so long.

Home rollers who are also anti-fashion will be pleased to know there is no risk of their becoming trendy. "Frankly," says John Morgan, of *GQ* magazine, "it is people who are short of money who use roll-ups. It can't be seen as sophisticated."

Yet there are artsy, bohemian — even intellectual — overtones to rolling your own. Poets smoke them. Martin Amis does it. Liz Calder, a senior executive at Bloomsbury publishers, caught the habit when she fell in love with roll-up smoking Louis Baum, editor of *The Book Seller*. "I like it," she says, "because it shows a certain sort of temperament. Rebellious and contemplative. It's so slow, and then all the tobacco falls out."

> 'Nobody in film or TV would be seen dead with one'

Proof that roll-ups will never be aspirational, though, is that nobody in film or television would be caught dead smoking them. Jane Villiers, an agent in the industry, can only think of one colleague who rolls up: "He is a struggling, *poor* young director."

Cheapness is one reason why women often roll their own, but there are others. Smoking was a statement of liberation for our grandmother's generation. Then it became the dreary norm. But these days, there is still an element of rejecting the feminine stereotype in a woman who smokes roll-ups.

And here is the rub. As smoking becomes increasingly naughty, the perverse percentage of the population is more likely to want to carry on. Better surely that they roll their own — for a shorter, sharper shock to the system.

BRIGID MCCONVILLE

"The standard of county youth orchestras has risen so remarkably that there is hardly a work in the concert repertoire that they are not capable of tackling."

But are they doomed to decline as instrumental music in schools is axed as too costly? Antony Hopkins looks at Music for Youth in The TES this Friday.

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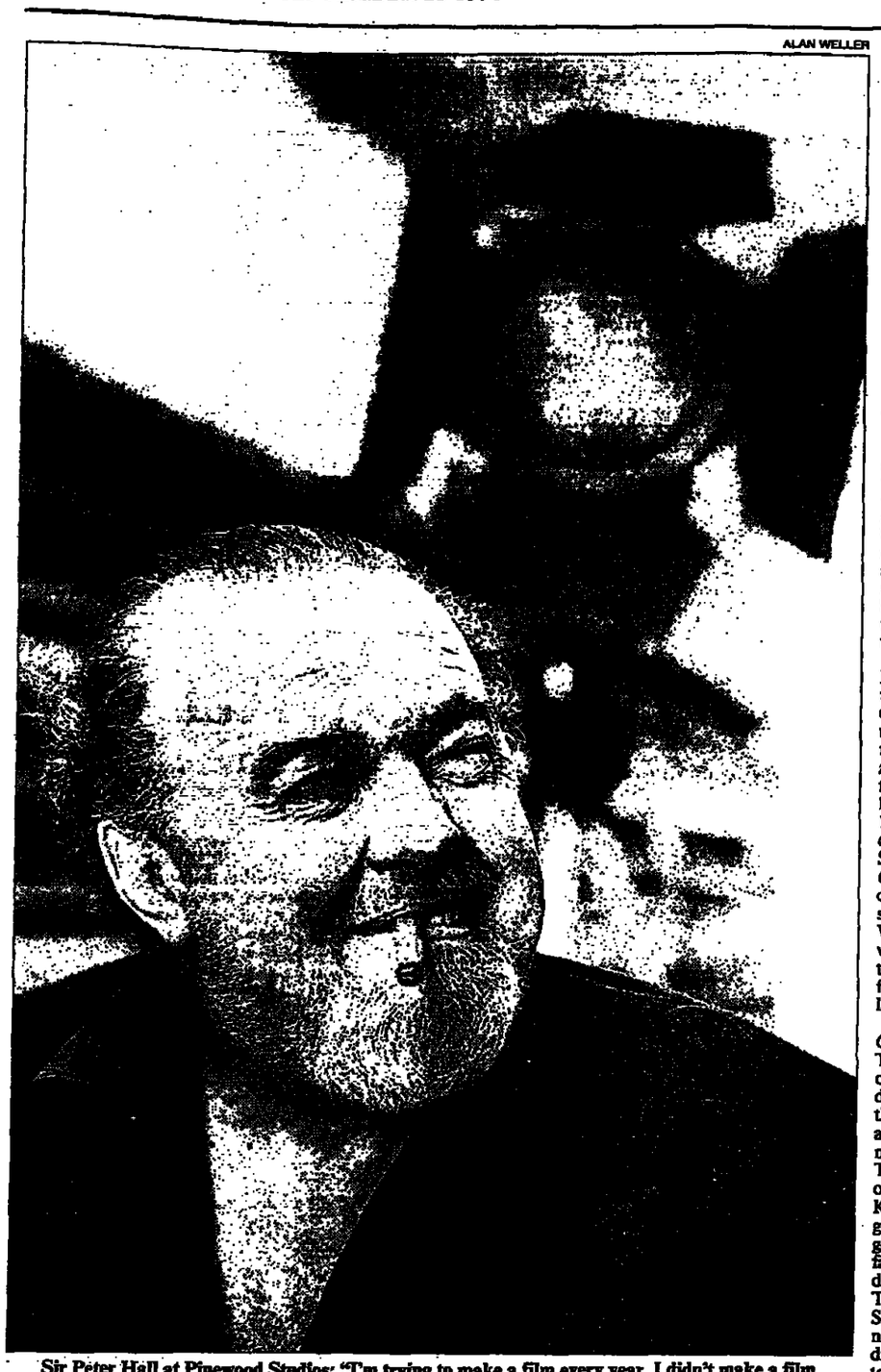

Sir Peter Hall at Pinewood Studios: "I'm trying to make a film every year. I didn't make a film during 15 years at the National. It was one of the attractions of leaving." So far, he is on target

More depth of field and a change of focus

Sir Peter Hall, having established his own theatre company, is also spending his 16-hour days behind the camera. Matt Wolf met him at the scene of his latest project

A film set is not the place one expects to encounter Sir Peter Hall, who has spent the better part of four decades helping refashion the British theatre. But Hall is never one to savour whatever free time comes his way, which explains his presence one recent afternoon at Pinewood finishing a 13-week shoot on Channel 4's five-part version of Mary Wesley's novel, *Camomile Lawn*. "I do work about 16 hours a day; I do that because I like it," Hall says. "I find it a particularly English thing to suspect that if you do a lot, you must be doing it badly. You may be doing it badly, but I don't think the amount of work has anything to do with it."

What has changed is the focus of Hall's work: away from institutions — the National Theatre, Glyndebourne, and the like — and towards one-off projects that intrigue, not least both on the large and the small screen. "I'm trying to make a film every year," says Hall. "I didn't make a film during 15 years at the National. It was one of the attractions of leaving." So far, he is on target. He preceded *Camomile Lawn* with an American cable television version of his stage production of Tennessee Williams's *Orpheus Descending* with Vanessa Redgrave, and, prior to that, Stephen Poliakoff's BBC film, *She's Been Away*, starring the late Dame Peggy Ashcroft.

He explains the appeal of *Camomile Lawn*, scripted by Ken Taylor from Wesley's family saga of lost innocence set initially during the second world war and then in the Eighties: "What was attractive was the size of it. I've never told a story in five hours." The project stars "a reuniting of old friends", such as Felicity Kendal, Claire Bloom and Virginia McKenna, alongside a new generation of performers with famous parents: Jennifer Ehle, daughter of Rosemary Harris; Toby Stephens, son of Maggie Smith and Robert Stephens; and nine-year-old Rebecca Hall, the director's child from his marriage to Maria Ewing, the opera singer. ("She's always wanted to be an actress," smiles her father. "But I'm sure lots of little girls of nine want to be an actress.")

As for the material, "what's wonderful about Mary Wesley is that she has an old woman's perspicacity and an ability to see things like they are; she doesn't mince words. It's very funny and never pompous — also very sexy: funny sexy." Does he worry about contributing to a genre of class-obsessed exercises in nostalgia? "No, providing the emotions you are containing are real and complex. What is silly is the cliché of the second-rate English war movie where people make some kind of brittle remark and you think: 'Come off it.' I don't think this has that at all.

"I love making films," he adds. "I nearly ended up as a movie director anyway. There was a strange moment in my life when I was offered a contract at MGM as a trainee director. I was married to Leslie Caron, and I'm sure half the reason I got the offer was because she was under contract to MGM." Instead, he opted for the Royal Shakespeare Company and has no regrets. "That was my absolute ambition; the decision was unhesitating on my part. There is only so much you can do, and you can't run major theatres and have a film career. That," he pauses, "you really *can't* do."

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Away from the allure of celluloid, Hall's professional concerns rest with his West End-based Peter Hall Company, which launches its eighth production next month: Ranjit Bolt's new translation of Molière's *Tartuffe*. The critical scorecard since his company's 1988 inception includes two revelations — *Orpheus* and *The Wild Duck*; two duds — *Twelfth Night* and *Born Again*, the Chichester musical; and three in between — *The Homecoming*, *The Rose Tattoo* and the most commercially successful of them all, the Dustin Hoffman *Merchant of Venice* which is ready to be filmed, pending its star's say-so.

What is Hall's appraisal of the company to date? "I think the record is pretty good. We've done seven plays, so you're not going to have seven plays everyone will like. At least one has attracted an audience and made a statement. We have some kind of identity here. I think there is a public for work which tries to hit the target, even though it may not always succeed."

Financially, Hall thinks the company has a sound strategy: "I've proved the point that if you tour for five-to-six weeks to well-run theatres like Bath, Bradford, and Sheffield, and you then have a 12-week run [in London], you can cover your costs. You don't make very much but you come out on the right side, and if you can then move it for a bit longer in the West End or go to Broadway, then you actually make money." *The Wild Duck* was a surprise West End hit, but a relatively safe bet, *Twelfth Night*, flopped. *Orpheus* lost money during its Broadway run and never played out its hoped-for seven months in New York; *Merchant*, by confrast, was a runaway hit, winning Tony nominations for Hall, Hoffman and Geraldine James.

The word "company" in the Peter Hall Company might seem a misnomer, since each production constitutes a fresh assemblage of actors and designers. But after four decades of working in Britain, Hall takes the larger view. "I have an actual company — about 500 actors whom I know and love and who, it would appear, are happy to come and work with me again. It's very rare for me to do a play with people I haven't worked with. At most, maybe one or two are new."

To prove the point, he cites the carry-over of actors from *Camomile Lawn* to *Tartuffe* — Felicity Kendal, Paul Eddington, Toby Stephens, Jennifer Ehle, Nicholas le Prevost. Of the *Tartuffe* principals, only John Sessions is new to Hall. "Felicity says it's because I didn't have time to come to London that they're all in it; it's not strictly true," he laughs. "But it's nice to have continuity. It's very productive, and saves time."

Following *Tartuffe*, the pace continues with *Peter Grimes* in Munich in December and *The Magic Flute* in Los Angeles late in 1992. For his company, Hall next year will direct Martin Shaw and Francesca Annis in Stephen Poliakoff's *Siena Red*, and he plans to do Edna O'Brien's new play about Maud Gonne as well as Feydeau's *Le Dindon*, *As You Like It*, and a full-length *Man and Superman*.

The freelance life clearly appeals. "I don't want to run buildings anymore; I don't want to run opera houses. What I want is to do what I can with classics and new plays to keep the drama habit going. There are about 50,000 to 60,000 people who, if I do a play reasonably well, will come and see it. That's my constituency."

● Tartuffe *opens at the Playhouse Theatre on October 9.*

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The bicentenary flood has already yielded a few opera sets that will stick around, notably an *Idomeneo* conducted by John Eliot Gardiner. Other stayers may well be on the way, including a *Tito* from Gardiner and a *Magic Flute* under Roger Norrington. Meanwhile, this batch of early autumn releases offers something rather special, and something else which is very special indeed.

First the rather special. Nikolaus Harnoncourt's version of **Così fan tutte** has a clear-eyed, sad straightforward charm, thanks partly to fresh-toned, dramatically cogent solo performances, partly to an orchestra — the Royal Concertgebouw — profiting from period practice in the edgier sounds of the strings and the more robust wind playing, not least from a couple of troublesome trumpets. This will not please those who want the opera to be all luscious and serene, but Harnoncourt does have sensuousness as one of his options, especially a beautifully pure sensuousness from soft sustained strings playing with reduced vibrato. His range, though, is wide and his essential simplicity lays the emotional puzzles bare. He also makes the recitatives, accompanied by harpsichord and cello, expressive in an almost Monteverdian manner.

The sisters, Charlotte Margiono and Delores Ziegler, do not seduce the ear right away, but sympathy with them blossoms. The men are all wonderful right from the start: a likeably lyrical Don Alfonso from Thomas Hampson, a velvet Ferrando from Deon van der Walt, and an engaging, sure-footed Guilelmo (the spelling Harnoncourt prefers) from Gilles Cachemaille. Anna Steiger keeps popping up with an outrageous but also surprisingly fitting vulgar rasp to her voice as Despina, a peasant yawl which the woodwinds occasionally imitate. Perhaps the decisive measure is that one hears how difficult the music is for Fiordiligi rather than for Margiono: one is present at a performance, not a recording session.

That cannot be said of the **Don Giovanni** under Riccardo Muti, where the conductor's dominance is felt in every bar. This is not to deny, of course, that Muti achieves staggering miracles: there are tempos that defy belief, in both directions. "Dalla sua pace" must be slower here than ever before, while parts of the Act I finale have Italian rattling past faster than at a Neapolitan fish market. One is impressed, as one is surely meant to be, but not to any larger purpose.

The casting has perversities, some more fruitful than others. Samuel Ramey, whose usual stage role is Giovanni, switches to Leporello, to partner William Shimell, whose voice is forceful and dark like his own: the existence of master and servant as a double star is usefully intensified, to the point where it is sometimes difficult to tell them apart in recitatives — especially when so much of the recitative is quick and whispered, with the lightest possible period-piano accompaniment. But Carol Vaness's journey from Anna into Elvira is less happy, and Cheryl Studer as Anna meets some uncustomary awkwardness in the coloratura.

Both new versions of **Figaro**, too, have their problems. **James Levine**'s big advantage is an unfailing ability to make the orchestra speak, and speak charmingly: hardly a quaver passes without meaning something, and Levine's irony — in the Count-Susanna duet, for instance — is gorgeous. However, the cast is unequal. Hampson as the Count is one of the stars; so is Anne Sofie von Otter as Cherubino. But Dawn Upshaw's raw Susanna is hard to take; Ferruccio Furlanetto is a bit bleak as Figaro; and Kiri Te Kanawa's Countess seems to be unfolded under strain.

Colin Davis has Julia Varady sounding much more in command, but Furlanetto is distinctly worse placed as the Count. What most disturbs, though, is the flatness and absence of the accompaniment, and the roughness of the vocal ensembles. Ingrid Kertesi's Barbarina is a rare beam of light here.

Christopher Hogwood's period-instrument **Entführung** is also a disappointment. This is the first recording to feature the unbelievable march for the entrance of the janissary chorus, but that is just about its only distinction. Continuity is lacking in the orchestra even from bar to bar, and Lynne Dawson does not make a convincing case for Konstanze as a white-toned, vibrato-less dryad.

What is quite astonishing is that Uwe Heilmann, the unhappy Belmonte of this recording, should also be the brilliant, vigorous Tamino of the outstanding **Zauberflöte** conducted by Sir Georg Solti. This again is a performance that grabs one right at the beginning and thrusts one down in one's seat to witness the show.

And a remarkable show it is. None of the central performances can one imagine bettered: not Sumi Jo as a completely secure, forthright Queen of the Night; not Ruth Ziesak as a lovely, musical Pamina; not Kurt Moll as a magnificent, generous Sarastro; not Michael Kraus as a wild and slender Papageno; not Heinz Zednik as a needling, needled Monostatos; not Andreas Schmidt as a sonorous Speaker (with a fine speaking voice, too, in the abbreviated dialogue which allows the opera to be contained on two well-packed discs); not the expert trio of Ladies; and certainly not the equally expert boys, who sing their music more beautifully than I have ever heard it before. But credit for the life that courses through the performance must go to Solti and the Vienna Philharmonic. This is a *Zauberflöte* that will still be on the shelves long past 1991.

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TELEVISION REVIEW

To fairyland with feathers flying

GIVEN the choice of romance between a handsome pop star and a man who is characterised mainly as a body with its head in a toilet, which would you pick? (The pop star? *Correct.*) Last night's **Dancin' Thru the Dark** (BBC 1), Willy Russell's film based on his stage play *Stags and Hens*, gave this unusual dilemma to the youthful Linda (Claire Hackett). On the eve of her wedding to the permanently vomiting Dave, she re-encounters Peter, a beautiful ex-boyfriend guitar player (Con O'Neill), who sings swoony ballads to her from the stage of a Liverpool nightclub where both stag night and hen night have conveniently ended up. What a tough decision for a young person to handle. Linda struggles with her conscience (as of course she must), and wins by a knock-out in the opening round.

Linda is entranced by the lights, the music, the romance. Her hen friends are shocked and jealous; they cluck with disapproval, and attempt to scoop her under their wing. Dave knows nothing, from his position on the lavatory floor (literally a night on the tiles), but his stag buddies rattle their antlers in his defence.

Meanwhile Peter, completing this Disney animal-act in the role of Jiminy Cricket, singles out Linda in the crowd and sings the equivalent of "When You Wish Upon a Star". He is sincere, but he seems to have some funny ideas about the benevolence of the wider world. Leave Liverpool, he says: why settle down in a dead town, when you can live in a midnight-blue fairyland with a firmament of twinkly spotlights?

Russell: tricky dilemma

While the action of *Stags and Hens* took place exclusively in the toilets, *Dancin' Thru the Dark* (directed by Mike Ockrent) was distinctly more glamorous. Peter's pop-serenade took place in a dance-hall of such splendour (was it Radio City Music Hall, perhaps?) that it was hard to understand why everyone kept referring to it as a dump. But it was still abundantly clear that escape from this small-minded stag and hen mentality was an absolute necessity. The friends (and Dave, in particular) were going nowhere, whereas Peter was heading for a gig in Scotland. What was less clear, however, was why *Linda* should be the lucky one to receive a leg-up over the wire. In her high heels and miniskirt she seemed rather on the vacuous side to me.

I kept wanting to tell Linda not to worry her curly little head about this Peter-or-Dave business: either way, she was bound to end up divorced and miserable. More interesting was the parallel theme about male aspirations; in Liverpool, everyone's a footballer or everyone's a pop star, which is why the presence of a real home-grown pop star makes them nervous and hostile. "Don't be impressed by him," Dave's best friend Eddy tells Linda: "*I* can play the guitar; I can play chords — G, and F, and D minor."

Up to this point, she had been a bit frightened of Eddy; but this pathetic D minor thing made her see him in his proper light. Thus it was that she was out of the gents' window, and running after Peter's van, faster than you can say "Some Day My Prince Will Come".

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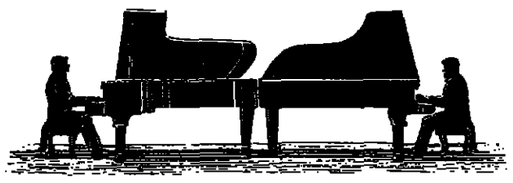

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All minority parties now

Peter Riddell says parties argue about funds because they lack members

RIDDELL ON MONDAY

What is wrong with the funding of British politics is that the Tory and Labour parties no longer have mass memberships. Neither of them come well out of the latest propaganda clash over sources of funds. There is a pertinent passage somewhere about "motes and beams". Their arguments about over-dependence on funds from business or trade unions are both right, but both miss the significance of their lack of members.

Politics in Britain is a minority activity. People vote in high numbers at general elections, but few go to political meetings and fewer still join parties. Membership figures are highly unreliable, but all parties have suffered a substantial decline over the past 15 to 20 years. The Tory total fell from 2.8 million in the early 1950s to just under 1.2 million by the early 1980s, and is probably even lower now. Labour's total individual membership was more than a million in the early 1950s but has since fallen sharply. After the 1987 election defeat, the party launched a drive to raise membership again to a million, but the last published figure was 330,000, just up from the low point of 274,000. Trouble with computerised records and chronic inefficiency are only a partial explanation.

Beaverbrook: a clumsy argument for the system

The parties themselves blame social changes: people now have a wider range of choices about how to spend their time. The old Tony Hancock joke that he did not join the Young Conservatives because he did not want to play table tennis or look for a wife is as much a period piece as his black and white television series. Moreover, fewer people strongly identify with either the Tories or Labour.

The parties still consist of small numbers of enthusiasts, and they cannot finance themselves without outside help. The Tory poster campaign, "Who Runs Labour?", on the role of trade-union funds and votes in Labour's annual conference, candidate selection and decisions, raises an electorally sensitive question that the party cannot fully answer when it does not have a mass individual membership.

The trouble with Tory fund-raising is that it is secret. No one disputes that small individual donations can legitimately remain private, but the £2m allegedly given by John Latsis, the Greek shipping billionaire, is different. Foreign donors may be acting altruistically (though such contributions would be illegal in the United States); they may simply like the way the Tories are running Britain, and all they may get is a handshake from John Major at a special donors' event, a harmless stroking of their egos. And business donors, whether foreign or domestic, do not have an explicit influence on the Tories as the unions do on Labour. But there is a narrow line between writing a large cheque and believing you have the right of access to ministers, in order to advance not the public good but a particular interest.

Lord Beaverbrook, the Tories' joint treasurer, clumsily said recently that he did not know of any corporations that published a list of their customers. But the business-party relationship was implicit in Lord King's announcement, after changes in air routes, that British Airways was this year not making a donation to the Tories "in view of a series of decisions by the government and their adverse impact on our business". In this case, of course, the government showed that political donations did not affect its decisions, though Lord King believed that donations should be affected by government policy.

Chris Patten, the Conservative chairman, has made reassuring comments about publishing party accounts earlier, in a more accessible form, and talked also of trying to broaden the base of financial support. But this is not enough.

Reform of political finance can, of course, be counter-productive, as Michael Pinto-Duschinsky, the leading British expert in this area, told the Hansard Society commission that reported last week. The United States, Canada and Germany have all faced unintended consequences from reforms, as well as difficulty in defining political contributions for the purpose of regulating them.

Because of the ban on paid television advertising, British election campaigns are not particularly expensive, either by historical or international standards. The difficulty is less to do with the amount of money involved than its origin and what this means for the structure of the parties. What is needed is a shift away from corporate donors towards the individual. There is no case for further state funding, as sought by Labour. There are already sufficient state subsidies in free television time, postage of election addresses and use of rooms for meetings. The parties should be subject to the test of the marketplace both at the ballot box and in fund-raising. There should be restrictions on the size of donations from any single source, whether individual, union or corporate, in any year. That would both limit substantial outside influence and encourage the parties to seek more, small individual donations. They might even become mass parties again.

Sending volumes of hope

Susan Richards on a campaign to send Russia books to feed the hunger for knowledge

"Books are like dynamite. But dynamite explodes once. A book explodes many times." Yevgeny Zamyatin's words, written in 1923, sum up what happens when a country tries to use the written word as a medium for the revolutionary transformation of a peasant society. As the Soviet regime ran into the difficulty of putting communism into practice, it started to pretend to itself that controlling words was a way of controlling reality. The result was that the two parted company. What Boris Pasternak called "the tyranny of the glittering phrase" led people who knew better to collude with official lies that were contradicted by life. Simpler people believed that the revolution must be working everywhere else but where they lived.

In the West, the concept of truth with a capital T has been losing ground since the Middle Ages. But in the Soviet Union under communism, truth meant something distinct: it was all that was left out of the official version of reality. Books became so important in the Soviet Union because the writer was the only person in a position to heal the split between reality and language. For the sake of this untold truth upwards of 2,000 writers disappeared into camps and unmarked graves.

The revolution in Moscow last month finally brought this period to an end. The change had come, notionally, with Mikhail Gorbachev's proclamation of glasnost, but despite the freedom of speech that brought, little had changed in the institutions that controlled the written word: state publishers, libraries, suppliers of paper. Under glasnost, however, people began to get used to having a choice of different sources of information. This was the precondition for the August revolution. After six years of glasnost, the public was independent-minded enough to defeat the coup.

The change in outlook has come with extraordinary speed. Only a couple of years ago, a young Russian chess teacher travelled for three hours from his village to ask me if I could send him two books by English academics on Indian philosophy. (I later discovered they had been out of print for 50 years.) "But you don't speak any English," I said. "Of course I don't speak English – what would be the point. But I read it fluently."

The chess teacher belonged to a nationwide network of bibliophiles who, having acquired one or two foreign volumes on religion or philosophy, could swap them for other illicit books. It had taken him a year to get hold of a volume by Nietzsche and 18 months to find one by Schopenhauer. For an educated man in the age of information this was ludicrous, but state publishing had no interest in producing books for which there was a market: libraries had to stock up on the party chairman's collected speeches.

The libraries were established by the Communist party when the population of Russia was largely peasant. The state took on itself the role of shaping people's minds, and the provincial librarian became a powerful missionary figure (we should remember that Lenin's wife was a librarian by training). Paradoxically, thanks to Soviet education policies, by the 1950s a more discriminating generation of readers had evolved. Yet the institutions for controlling the word did not evolve with them. A cunning breed of reader developed, one which, like drug-sniffing dogs, could smell out tiny quantities of truth even in orthodox socialist-realist novels and between the lines of newspapers.

Readers and writers with these skills are left with their own crisis after the defeat of the coup in Moscow. A journalist friend told me the other day that he was giving up writing. "There's no role for my kind of journalist any more. All they do now is compete to get the news into the paper faster. I'm going to get a proper job. I'm becoming a printer."

Bookaid, the initiative about to be launched to send a million English-language books to libraries all over the old Soviet empire, is a way of celebrating the process whereby "the truth" gives way to many truths: a process which, in being less, is so much more.

The author is an organiser of Bookaid. Readers of The Times *will be given details soon of how they can help the appeal.*

Praise the beloved country

Bernard Levin on the straws that broke apartheid's back

Amid the stupendous crash made by the falling idols of communism, the echoes of which will be heard forever, it was difficult to remember that on the other side of the world similar noises were to be heard, and just as welcome. From every *dorp* in South Africa there now rings the sound of the sunset gun, and the South African revolution, though less abrupt than the Soviet one, will not be halted. True, Mr Eugene Terre Blanche, hitherto known mainly for his claims to be irresistible to the ladies, seems to be concentrating on his other avocation, which is noisily taking over the country. Too noisily: three of his budding Horst Wessels, part of a group trying to break up a rally for President de Klerk at Ventersdorp last month, were shot dead by the police.

These words have a trance-like sound; for more years than I can count, the South African police have been wonderfully adept at harassing, framing, torturing and murdering black men and women, and now the boot is on the other face. With a remarkable stroke of luck, the authorities discovered that Van der Merwe, the archetypal stupid South African policeman, was still in the force, and he was simply instructed to stop bashing and killing *these* people, and to start bashing and killing *those*. Since Van der Merwe never understood in the first place why he had to bash or kill anybody, but simply obeyed orders to do so whenever his superior officer pointed out the next one on the list, there was no problem with the reversal of policy.

But now, another step has been taken. Even before Ventersdorp, Mr Terre Blanche, irked by something Nelson Mandela said, had issued a beer-curdling threat: if Mr Mandela "gets in our way, we'll level him with the gravel". I recall very vividly the earlier stirrings of his gang; one of them was Brigadier Swanepoel, the then recently retired police chief, perhaps the most extreme form of the brutal South African policeman. Certainly, no one but God knows how many innocents he tortured.

Anyway, he was pictured on television, at an election rally – he was standing for parliament, and he presumably thought that abusing Archbishop Tutu would encourage his supporters. I can hear him now, in his repulsive whine, saying: "If Mr Tutu wants to tengle with us, till him he will be tecken away on his beck."

Revolution now: the young at a Pretoria pop festival last year heralded the great volte-face

But Mr Swanepoel didn't get into parliament, and I also recall thinking when I read of his defeat that South Africa might begin, much sooner that most people would have thought, to break the apparently unbreakable ice and set sail for the open sea of humanity and decency. Well, it did not happen overnight; but there must have been signs to be read by those with exceptionally keen sight, signs that meant that the dawn was coming at last. (As late as the 1990 edition, Mr de Klerk was not in *Who's Who*.) Oh yes, there will be a good many more dead by violence before South Africa becomes a genuine multiracial land; well, the dead of Sharpeville knew a thing or two about violence, and the dead are notoriously patient. But from the riot and bloodshed at Ventersdorp a very significant shift could be discerned. The police have not just been obliged to change sides; they have been obliged to make a move towards impartiality.

If that sounds comical, consider this. Over the years of unbroken National party rule, the police force of South Africa was indelibly steeped in the doctrines preached by its terrible leaders: Verwoerd, Strijdom, Vorster, Botha. The police were the arm on which the ruling hand turned into a fist; South Africa's policemen were, first and last, the private army of apartheid and its structures. It is not too much to say that the police of South Africa, faced with a corpse done violently to death, said not "Who did this?" but "Check if it was us who did it".

When the Ventersdorp battle began, even my optimism weakened: assuredly the police would take the side of the rioters, whipped up by the sweet music of fascism. But they did not; from all the reports of the battle, it was clear that the police stood fast for law and right.

This is even better news than it sounds. We may dismiss the romantic belief that South Africa's police have overnight turned into a body of kindly Peelers, spending their time seeing children across the road and taking thorns out of the paws of spaniels. What it means is that they can see a barn door by daylight: it is obvious to them that Terre Blanche is not going to overthrow the state and rule in splendour.

The significant aspect of what is happening to South Africa is not that it is possible to rustle up a couple of thousand men with peculiar views; it is that the country as a whole has immediately understood that those who hold these peculiar views can deliver nothing more than a few broken windows and three peculiarly dead followers, which even in South Africa is not enough to build an alternative government on.

Of course, the diehards, seeing which way the wind blows, are now beginning to demand a separate state, in which they can presumably play Master Race to their own satisfaction. No doubt they have in mind another exodus to a promised land, the long march from an earlier South Africa embarked upon by people in the pitiful belief that if they went far enough they could find a world where time would stop. (President Kruger believed to the last day of his life that the earth was flat.) But today's bewildered people do not have the spunk of the Voortrekkers; they will stay where they are. And they, too, will fail to make the world turn the other way.

Why is everybody surprised? (I'm not.) Throughout history, men have clung to power, order, position, custom, belief and plans, implacably certain that nothing will ever change, only to be overwhelmed when they find that everything has just this minute changed. We don't even have to point to the *ci-devant* Soviet Union; there are many less earth-shaking events. Do you remember the Portuguese dictatorship that ruled, immovably, for more than 40 years? The whole populace had forgotten how it began, and could not so much as guess at what the country had been like before it started. And do you remember how long it took to topple? One day: and not a shot was fired. As for Franco, his body was hardly cold before his system and its evil were being dismantled. The white minority in South Africa must be feeling every sensation from placid resignation to hysterical terror, but across the spectrum there is manifestly a realisation that Mr de Klerk's clock will not be put back.

As I say, there will be more violence and more deaths before South Africa can be classified as a wholly civilised nation. But rivers do not run away from the sea, and two plus two will never make five, twist them how you will. We shall hear more from Mr Terre Blanche, but we shall never again need to listen.

...and moreover

MATTHEW PARRIS

Is there a direct link between the temperature of the water in a municipal swimming pool and the political composition of the local borough council? My preliminary research indicates that there is.

A word of explanation. Always a keen long-distance runner, I used to train regularly, mostly on London streets. But 50 miles a week on asphalt is hard on the knees, and, passing my 40th year, it struck me that for the next 40 years (God willing) this was not the way to stay fit. So I took to swimming, and have now swum in pools all over London.

There are sharp differences in water temperature. Individual pools stay much the same from one visit to the next. But contrast (for instance) the Janet Adegoke pool, run by Hammersmith and Fulham (Lab 28 seats, Con 22, SLD 0), which are as warm as a warm bath, with the Queen Mother's baths near Victoria station, run by Westminster Council (Con 45, Lab 15, SLD 0), where the water is cold enough to make you gasp . . . and you, too, will suspect that a pattern can be established. I do not know Janet Adegoke or the Queen Mother personally, but feel sure that Ms Adegoke is not a Tory and would favour warm baths, while the Queen Mother, who is surely no socialist, would expect her morning swim to be bracing.

Anecdotal evidence, however, is not enough: so I undertook some research. Calls to local authorities all over London confirmed my suspicion. There is indeed a link between political belief and pool temperature.

On paper and expressed in degrees Fahrenheit, the range does not look wide. Temperatures vary from 80 to 87. But swimmers will confirm that, for most primates, this seven-degree spread straddles the difference between ouch and aaah. Borough treasurers will confirm that, for them, the difference in heating bills is beteen aaah and ouch.

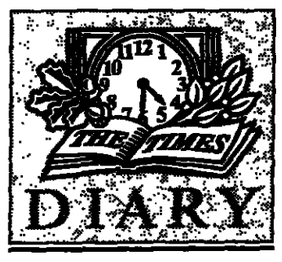
So what did I find? Having contacted all but a few, I discover that the five warmest pools (86-plus) are run by Labour authorities or "hung councils". The ten coldest baths (82-minus) are all Conservative or (and this is most interesting) Liberal. It seems that one of the risks of voting Liberal is that if the Liberals actually win they turn your pool's heating right down, but if they find themselves part of a "no-overall control" result, they and the Labour party will bid the temperature of your pool up. Electoral reform could exacerbate this fickle effect. The only way you can register a clear vote for a colder bath is to vote Conservative. Your most reliable route to a hot pool is via the Labour party.

But these are only tendencies. There are rogue councils. Hillingdon runs a very warm pool (85) at Highgrove, but the Tories there have a majority of only one, who may have an aversion to cold water. Islington, meanwhile, keeps its Ironmonger baths down to a chilly 80, but there are moves in the controlling Labour group to remove a bust of Lenin from the town hall, so there is clearly something odd about this council. Southwark tells me its pool "varies from 82 to 87", so we must conclude that ideological convulsions are occurring there.

Or must we? The sharper-witted among you will remind me of the dangers of causal reasoning in statistics. To establish a link between political complexion and pool temperature is not to prove that political convictions determine pool temperature. It may be that pool temperatures determine political conviction. I am intuitively attracted to the thought that an hour splashing around in very cold water, followed by a vigorous rub-down and a hot breakfast, could make you *feel* like voting Conservative (we are told that Mrs Thatcher actually took electric shocks in her baths). Conversely: spend your hour gently steaming in the waters of the Janet Adegoke pool, and you might emerge mumbling amiably about giving to each according to his or her needs, and taking according to his or her abilities . . .

The only way to settle this is by experiment. Immerse (say) Norman Tebbit in warm water for a few months, at the same time dousing (say) Roy Hattersley with icy bucketfuls every half hour, and see if they change.

Regardless of the result with the politicians, the experiment might prove popular, I think, with the voters.



Thatcher stays mum

HAS Mrs Thatcher, after years of guerrilla warfare with the mandarins of the Foreign Office, gone soft? She is reported to have acceded to FO pressure to resist calling on Western countries to take up arms and save the Croats.

While the idea of Mrs Thatcher keeping quiet on FO advice is regarded with scepticism by many observers, she appears to be treading a more delicate line now that she is out of power. Since the departure of her friend and former adviser Charles Powell from Downing Street at the end of the Gulf war, Mrs Thatcher has had to throw herself on the mercy of the FO for briefings on the government's position on international affairs.

Both the FO and Mrs Thatcher's office deny there is any plot to clip her wings. The Foreign Office says: "When Mrs Thatcher requests advice, officials provide it. She also has political contact with the foreign secretary.

Earlier this year there were signs that the FO had exacted revenge for the slights, real or imagined, it suffered at Mrs Thatcher's hands when she did not meet President Bush at the White House on her way to Ronald Reagan's birthday. Mrs Thatcher wanted to see Bush and the White House would have been happy to entertain her. But British diplomatic advice to her seems to have been against.

Mrs Thatcher's latest international foray, to Poland next month, should be a happier affair. Not only is the FO briefing her, but she will be staying at the British embassy. One FO source says: "Political expediency now determines that she accepts Foreign Office advice where it can be shown that her intervention could cause problems for John Major."

There may be exceptions. Few politicians expect her to keep her counsel on Europe as the Maastricht summit approaches, whatever the FO might advise.

● *The writing is on the paddy field in Japan, it seems. Takehiko Koyama, a farmer near Kyoto, has invented a new advertising medium by planting rice to spell out a slogan. A coffee shop has taken advantage of the offer to have its name on the field. "It's more work to create the ad, but it is more profitable than growing rice," says Koyama. Now there's an idea for all those corn-circle experts.*

Heath speaks

EDWARD HEATH is finally on speaking terms again with the Confederation of British Industry, which appears to have harboured a grudge ever since the miner's strike and his three-day week of the early 1970s. The former prime minister is now deemed sufficiently rehabilitated to be invited to address a CBI conference on the future of Europe at Canary Wharf in London next month.

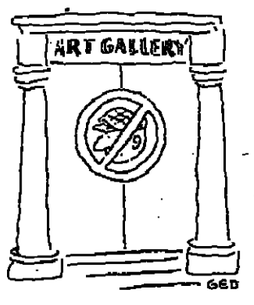
"I have to admit I was very surprised when the invitation came out of the blue," admits Heath. "It's the first invitation, acknowledgement or contact with them since 1975. Once I had got over my surprise I was delighted to accept."

The invitation is a double coup for Heath. Not only is the Capital Cities Conference the first important political function at Canary Wharf, which is closely identified with Mrs Thatcher's policies, but the speech, in front of Europe's leading businessmen, will give him a Europe-wide platform just before the Maastricht summit in December.

Art for all

AFTER half a century, the Barber Institute of Fine Arts in Birmingham has decided to come clean and admit it has one of the best small collections in the world. Its guardians have inexplicably kept it from the public gaze, but the museum's new director has decided to let in some light.

Professor Richard Verdi, the director, says: "My predecessors did not want anyone to visit the collection." Perhaps they felt that paintings such as Rossetti's *The Blue Bower*, Murillo's *The Marriage Feast at Cana*, the Degas portrait of *Mlle Malo* and Monet's *Church at Varengeville* – probably the finest example of his work in England – were too good for the citizens of Birmingham. The institute is, unknown to many of its students, on the campus of Birmingham University.



In a change of heart that might dismay his predecessors, Verdi has introduced a publicity leaflet and school visits. "Children were never allowed in. My predecessors thought the paintings were above them. I am trying to undo 50 years of damage." In a final break with tradition, a name sign is to go up outside the institute. Next year.

Stamp's progress

THE ACTOR Terence Stamp has been given a surprising new role as chairman of the judging panel of the NCR Book Awards, the most valuable non-fiction prize. Stamp, whose claim to literary fame is three well-received volumes of autobiography, was as surprised as anyone by the invitation. "I thought the letter had been sent to the wrong guy," he says. "The organisers took me to lunch to check whether I was brainy enough. I must have passed."

The actor, a 1960s pin-up, admitted the first time he had heard of the prize was when the third volume of his memoirs, *Double Feature*, was nominated, but failed to win the £25,000 award. Giles Gordon, from NCR, says: "With a different kind of judge, we expect an equally different kind of book to win."

● *Readers of the* The Times *came up with more than 100 suggestions in the Diary's competition to find a suitable name for Michael Heseltine's plans for a new city east of London. Thamesmouth, Heseltown and Thatcherville all predictably received several nominations, while Tory Canyon and Boadicea Bay were more individual. But the bottle of champagne goes to Rita Wall from Purley for her suggestion: Farther Thames.*

GUMMER'S TRAVELS

Today's dash from Moscow to Brussels by John Gummer, the agriculture minister, is the voyage of a latter-day Gulliver, from the realm of crazy shortages to that of absurd surpluses. Having told the Russians how to increase food production, the minister will exhort his European Community colleagues to reform the common agricultural policy so as to cut it.

Russian politicans need to heed the words of the King of Brobdingnag: "Whoever could make two ears of corn, or two blades of grass to grow upon a spot of ground where only one grew before, would deserve better of mankind, and do more essential service to his country, than the whole race of politicians put together." Mr Gummer has no such simple maxim to guide him.

British farmers should be rejoicing over their best cereal harvest in five years, the third best ever, yet they remain gloomy. They are not simply exercising their traditional right to flourish and complain. A bumper crop is no longer a good in itself. After decades of being offered generous incentives to maximise production, farmers are now being bribed to let their fields lie fallow, to suppress milk and beef output, and to put back ponds and hedgerows they were earlier paid to remove.

British farmers might be happier if the harvest had been less good. The total European Community harvest should amount to at least 169 million tons, 6 per cent up on last year and far more than can be consumed internally or disposed of externally without heavy subsidy. The silos are already overflowing with nearly 20 million tons of surplus grain. Many farmers are pondering whether they might be better off in the coming season accepting an offer of £49 an acre from Brussels to leave 15 per cent of their land idle. This in turn would exempt them from a penalty tax on the rest of their cereal crop that is triggered when the EC harvest exceeds 160 million tons. Dean Swift would have had something pungent to say about the absurdity of a system that offers incentives to produce and then bribes farmers not to take advantage of them.

The European agriculture commissioner, Raymond MacSharry, has laid his cards on the table. He proposes severe cuts in farmers' support prices, but would then introduce a raft of new grants to compensate them for loss of income. That might cut food surpluses, so removing the main cause of friction with the community's trading partners. It would shift the cost of supporting farmers from the consumer, through higher food prices, to the taxpayer. One drawback is that Mr MacSharry's reformed CAP could prove even more costly than the present model. Another, particularly for Mr Gummer, is that compensation payments would discriminate in favour of smaller continental farms, and against Britain.

Mr MacSharry's plan would at least open the way to progress on the Uruguay round of Gatt. This remains stalled chiefly on the issue of EC farm subsidies, and in particular those used to dump surplus food on world markets. To remove the obstacles, the Community must overhaul the CAP so that it ceases to be an engine of over-production.

Wrangling between member states could well continue into next year. This is pointless Eurodithering. Many farmers will suffer a loss of subsidy whichever reform package is adopted. With that to put up with, they do at least deserve certainty about the level of support they can expect.

Mr Gummer has expansively criticised the MacSharry plan's weaknesses. But criticising the CAP is easy. Reforming it is a more demanding task. The onus is now on Mr Gummer to propose a better way of reducing surpluses, one which gives more weight to farming efficiency and incidentally to Britain's interests. He must, however, be realistic about continental political realities. If Mr Gummer can persuade Britain's partners to be more radical, so much the better. If not, then he would do better to accept Mr MacSharry's plan than to risk the collapse of Gatt.

PRIVATE POLLS, PUBLIC INTEREST

Opinion polls influence not only politicians but also public opinion — so much so that parties now routinely indulge in the practice of leaking private poll results. Over the weekend selective leaks of private polls were said to show the Tories to be doing better in marginal constituencies than their national showing would suggest. A week back, private Labour polls were variously said to show the party just ahead, just behind or level pegging, at a time when the published polls showed them further adrift. Even if accurate, such leaks are dangerous. Pollsters ought not to permit their services to be abused.

Public opinion polls suffer from well-attested defects. Margins of error, imperfect sampling techniques and sub-optimal sample sizes make them imprecise instruments. But as forecasting tools, they outperform the hunches of election agents and the pricking of pundits' thumbs. If ever the pollsters are tempted to cut corners, the strict code of practice imposed by the Market Research Society would dissuade them.

Political parties also conduct private opinion polls, the Tories now using Harris and Gallup, and Labour using NOP. A mystique attaches to such polls, which are believed to convey an understanding that passes that garnered from public polls. This is nonsense. Private polls use precisely the same techniques as public polls. They sometimes use precisely the same material. The private Tory poll leaked at the weekend, for example, was an aggregate of Gallup polls over a period, rather than a new poll. Parties legitimately use private polls to probe more deeply into views on particular issues, or to investigate how different groups of voters are moving, or to provide themselves with detailed surveys of marginal seats. That is a useful, though modest, function.

Unfortunately, an alarming tendency to use them differently has taken hold. The parties increasingly leak private poll findings to establish some point in their interest. They are, almost by definition, selective, choosing only those parts of the poll which suit the leakers' book. Dropped into an ear at the lobby, such details as sample sizes, fieldwork dates and the organisation responsible are omitted. The public is thus denied the information it needs to assess the results. In unscrupulous hands, a further step can be added. Since there is no way of checking the leaks, there is no reason to be truthful.

A similar degenerative process has affected the leaking of canvassing results in by-elections. The figures given out to the media bear no necessary relationship with real returns. Still less do they reflect how people will actually vote. At best, they are self delusion. At worst, they are bogus figures, pure invention, manipulated to encourage bandwaggon effects, and foster tactical voting. They threaten to turn by-elections into games of liar's poker.

Doubtless the parties themselves should desist from such tactics. Only a utopian would expect that they will. Doubtless the media should refuse to publish such unsubstantiated rumour. To expect that is more utopian still. There is however a remedy: and it lies with the poll companies themselves. Private polls are in theory subject to the Market Research Society code. Where a poll is leaked, the company responsible should insist that the party supplies full details. If a poll is misrepresented, the company that carried it out has a both a right and a duty to correct the error.

It was done in the 1970s by NOP, galled by misrepresentation of private polling results by the Liberals. The pollsters will naturally be reluctant. They are afraid of breaching client confidentiality. They are also nervous that they would lose business. Both fears are real. But the company that dares to blow the whistle would be compensated by the gain to its reputation. Putting integrity before expediency would do much to raise the opinion pollsters in public esteem.

RING OF DEATH

An element of danger exists in many sports. Horse racing, rock climbing, Formula One, even rugby, all carry a chance of death or severe disability comparable with that in boxing. But boxing is the only sport in which the aim is to cause injury. The boxer's intention is to disable his opponent's brain with a knockout. In boxing's brutality lies a central part of its appeal.

The spectators at Saturday night's fight between Chris Eubank and Michael Watson were baying for blood. They got it. Both men needed hospital treatment; one of them is still on a life support machine. Doctors almost all oppose the sport because of the brain damage it can cause. Now boxing faces a backlash from a public brought face to face with its dangers on live television.

Since the Marquess of Queensbury's rules were introduced in 1884, in response to public disquiet at the horrors of bare knuckle prize fighting, some 500 boxers have died in the ring. Many more have been reduced to shambling wrecks, sweeping up in the gyms where they once trained.

Nonetheless, boxing has provided hope for countless young men who found in its discipline and skills a way of escape from poverty. A sport that had brutality as its sole appeal would never have inspired writers as diverse as Hemingway, Shaw, A.J. Liebling or Norman Mailer. Great fighters display a courage in the ring that wins them intense public affection. Frank Bruno and Henry Cooper provide examples of gentlemanly behaviour that few other sports can match. It is precisely because boxing is worth preserving that it needs urgent reform.

To be safer, championship fights ought to be shorter. An exhausted boxer in the later rounds is more vulnerable to a heavy blow than at the start. Amateur bouts, where the safety record is much better, last only three rounds. Professional championship matches have been reduced from 15 rounds to 12, but most professional fights last at most eight or ten. That is enough.

Other safety measures should be closely examined. In Japan regular brain scans are compulsory. They should be here, too, both before and after fights. Heavier gloves and head protectors might reduce injury, although some doctors believe that it is the force of the blow that damages the brain and these will do little to reduce its impact. A longer break between rounds may help referees to judge better when a fighter must be told that he cannot go on. But reformers should beware of sanitising the sport to the point where it goes underground. Unlicensed boxing, and even illegal bare knuckle fights, appear to be growing, with potentially deadly consequences.

Boxing will never be entirely safe. But it must be made less unsafe. If the sport is to survive, boxing authorities here and in America must change the rules. If they continue to sit on their cornerstools, they should not be surprised if the politicians decide to abolish the ring.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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Call to intervene in Yugoslavia

From Mr David Alton, MP for Liverpool, Mossley Hill (Liberal Democrat)

Sir, Mr Franjo Marunica, the general secretary of the Croatian Movement for Christian Democracy said on a recent private visit to lobby the Foreign Office:

It is no longer a question of when Croatia will be free, but of how much blood will be shed before that freedom is recognised.

To describe the conflict in Croatia as a civil war is misleading. Yugoslavia was the invention of the Allies in 1918 reinforced in 1945 by the now discredited communist regime. Croatia has no more in common with Serbia than the Baltic States with Russia.

The current Croatian government achieved a popular mandate last May of 92.5 per cent for independence; since then Croatia has met all European requests for legislation to protect ethnic minorities.

The choice for Western Europe is to intervene with a peace-making force to protect democracy from the aggression of a rogue army outside political control, or allow the region to sink further into bloody conflict. Options such as sanctions alone are mere window dressing.

We in Britain have the right to ask why our government opposed the gathering European consensus for intervention without offering any credible alternative. Could it be that Foreign Office mandarins regard united European military action in Croatia as a stalking horse for greater convergence on European defence and foreign policy? If so, must democracy in Croatia be sacrificed for British reluctance to share sovereignty in wider European co-operation?

Yours faithfully,
DAVID ALTON,
House of Commons.
September 20.

Long-term journey

From Mr Mike Roberts

Sir, I was sorry to read that Jeremy Preston spent over an hour getting to the long-term car park from Heathrow's Terminal 4 (letter, September 20) and we are refunding his parking charge as a gesture of goodwill.

Our customers are quite right in expecting prompt and efficient service, and the journey to Terminal 4's long-term car park normally takes only five minutes, with a bus every seven minutes. However, it does take a little longer to reach the main long-term car park where Mr Preston's car was parked. The simplest way to this car park is to catch a special bus, which takes the most direct route. These buses can be summoned from telephones on the Terminal 4 forecourt, and we have today installed more prominent signs advertising this free service.

I trust Mr Preston will find a better service next time he uses Heathrow.

Yours faithfully,
MIKE ROBERTS
(Acting Managing Director),
Heathrow Airport Limited.
Heathrow Airport,
Hounslow, Middlesex.
September 20.

Silver spoons

From Sir Hugh Leggatt

Sir, I know that an appreciable number of works of art at present in historic houses is scheduled to be sold when the current recession in the art market is over in order to provide funds for upkeep and maintenance.

These sales could be avoided if the government took action now in line with Lord Shelburne's plea (September 18) for fiscal reform for historic-house owners whose homes are open to the public. Failing this, the majority of sales will result in the export of yet more of our artistic patrimony. And this at a time when interest in our cultural heritage has never been greater.

Yours faithfully,
HUGH LEGGATT,
Leggatt Brothers,
17 Duke Street, St James's, SW1.

Splits in the church

From Mr Michael Higginbottom

Sir, The plea to allow the Church of England to break into two, one with women priests and one without, is really nothing of the sort. It is rather a political device to prolong the agony (or the scandal depending on your point of view) by raising the price of unity at all costs and encouraging delay for up to ten years in making the final decision on women priests.

Clifford Longley (article, September 14) is quite right for at least three reasons to dismiss arguments that might lead to such an outcome — an outcome of no little attraction to church leaders who will have to cope with the real personal traumas that would follow a decision to accept women to the priesthood.

The first reason has to do with the principles of Christian faith. Those who oppose women priests play down the historical and social nature of religious belief. Christianity is a living faith and must "move with the times".

The second is to do with church order. It is simply not possible to have in one pastoral organisation a church with women priests and a church which does not accept their validity. So the two groups had better split. This would have the added advantage that once separated each church could establish the warmest relations with the other, in the truly ecumenical spirit which is so much more in evidence in the Church of England's dealings with other churches than it is with its own factions.

The third reason is pragmatic. In the event, when the decision to admit women priests is taken and if a choice of allegiance to one church or the other is offered, I suspect it will be a very small number who will abandon a church containing women priests — though none the less worthy of respect for that.

Yours faithfully,
M. HIGGINBOTTOM
(Headmaster),
Aldenham School,
Elstree, Hertfordshire.

From Mr A. R. F. Carter

Sir, If the Church of England splits between liberals and traditionalists, further splits seem possible, perhaps inevitable.

The liberals will split between those who continue to believe in God and those who do not. The traditionalists will split between Catholics and Evangelicals. The Catholics will split between those who wish to reunite with Rome and those who prefer to remain separate. The Evangelicals will split between those who wish to ordain women to the priesthood and those who do not; and between charismatics and non-charismatics; and between Calvinists and non-Calvinists.

And so on, and so forth. Better the present unity, artificial though it be.

Yours faithfully,
RICHARD CARTER,
32 The Poles, Upchurch,
Sittingbourne, Kent.

From Mrs Joyce M. Beazley

Sir, It could be argued that the contribution of Christian women to the strengthening of the church and the passing of the faith to following generations has been greater than that of men, ordination or no.

The image of women as underprivileged Christians is not in accordance with teaching and denigrates the work and inspiration of our foremothers. The search for office in the church is only rarely the answer to a Christian vocation. In reply to Frank Field (September 17) I must say I do not have a prejudice against women. I consider being a woman a great privilege and responsibility.

Yours faithfully,
JOYCE M. BEAZLEY,
Rest Harrow, 14 The Combe,
Ratton, Eastbourne, East Sussex.
September 17.

Letters to the editor should carry a daytime telephone number. They may be sent to a fax number — (071 782 5046).

Greener fields for London hospitals?

From Councillor Selwyn Ward

Sir, James LeFanu ("London palaces of disease", September 18) is right to point out the over-abundance of teaching hospitals in central London. The solution in our brave new market economy is not, however, to force closures or mergers — reducing patient choice and limiting training opportunities for the next generation of doctors. Better perhaps to follow the centres of population which have steadily migrated from city centre to suburb.

In most of London's suburbs accommodation for students is likely to be more readily available or more feasibly built. The capital released by freeing valuable central London sites and the substantial savings in revenue costs would make relocation a highly cost-effective option.

In the outer London borough of Bromley the district health authority has embarked on plans to develop a grand new district hospital on a green-field site. An imaginative minister might want to seize just such an opportunity to prise one of London's teaching hospitals and medical schools from the banks of the Thames.

Liberating other London teaching hospitals from the hegemony of the University of London to academic centres of the South-East would make possible the development of multi-faculty links in those universities with burgeoning science departments which do not have their own medical schools.

If William Waldegrave, the minister, and Robin Cook, his Labour "shadow", are looking at radical options for the 21st century the agenda should be set by the needs of patients and students, not the vested interests of today's consultants and hospital managers.

Yours faithfully,
SELWYN WARD
(Leader, Labour group),
London Borough of Bromley,
Members' Room,
Bromley Civic Centre,
Rochester Avenue, Bromley, Kent.
September 18.

From Dr George Noble

Sir, Dr LeFanu fails to point out the problem with funding for the teaching hospitals where the university and health services interface. This frequently causes problems with planning and often results in the disparate policies and objectives emerging from each of the two government departments involved (education and health).

London has a large influx of daytime workers and tourists. It is not thus surprising that there are more beds per "local population" than for other areas, and the fact is that not many health-care consumers face the prospect of being operated on far from home.

What health care in London needs is indeed integrated planning. This clearly needs to take account of both health service and educational needs, in the local and national context. Mr Waldegrave would be well advised to co-ordinate his plans with those of the ministers of the Department of Education.

Yours faithfully,
GEORGE NOBLE,
32 Royal Sovereign View,
Eastbourne, East Sussex.
September 18.

From Mr Ian Williams

Sir, Teaching hospitals treat patients as well as teach at undergraduate and postgraduate levels. Dr LeFanu ignores this second role.

Doctors must receive much clinical experience in both common and rare medical conditions. This requires a hospital not only to accept routine admissions but to concentrate patients with rarer diseases. The patient is frequently better served by such care, whilst providing vital information for research programmes.

Centres of excellence are in a position to inspire excellence. Dilution of this will simply lead to mediocrity.

Yours faithfully,
IAN WILLIAMS,
76 Graveney Road, Tooting, SW17.
September 18.

From Dr R. L. Bown

Sir, Simply merging London teaching hospitals, as Dr LeFanu suggests, would severely reduce the amount of undergraduate and postgraduate teaching and research available to our future doctors. Already we see final-year students at Frimley Park who have never seen patients with simple ailments such as varicose veins.

The answer is to relocate several London teaching hospitals to areas of large population with existing universities, such as Swansea, Guildford, Brighton, Exeter or Coventry.

Yours faithfully,
R. L. BOWN,
Frimley Park Hospital,
Portsmouth Road, Frimley, Surrey.
September 18.

Breast cancer

From Dr Roger E. Taylor

Sir, The Chief Medical Officer has advised women (report, September 13) that breast self-examination is probably not necessary, since this has not been clearly shown to reduce the risk of death from breast cancer. An important point has been missed.

Many women with breast cancer can now be treated by removal of the lump followed by radiotherapy (breast conservation) rather than mastectomy. If the lump is small it is more likely that breast conservation will be possible, and the cosmetic results of such treatment are likely to be better.

It would be wrong to ignore this potential benefit of breast self-examination. The breast-screening programme cannot be totally relied upon to detect all cancers when small. Some cancers which can be felt on clinical examination are undetected by a mammogram (breast x-ray), and the programme does not routinely include clinical examination of the breasts.

Some cancers develop during the three-year interval between screening visits. Breast-screening has been shown to be of benefit for women in the 50-64 age group, and it is only these who are invited for screening.

Even if there is no proven "survival benefit", it would be unwise to advise women, particularly those outside the 50-64 age group and those who might wish to have breast-conservation treatment, that regular breast self-examination is of no value.

Yours sincerely,
ROGER E. TAYLOR
(Consultant clinical oncologist),
Regional Radiotherapy Centre,
Cookridge Hospital,
Leeds, West Yorkshire.
September 13.

Discretionary grants

From the Principal of the City and Guilds of London Art School

Sir, Your correspondents (September 9, 10) who find confusing the unpredictability of the inner London boroughs in awarding discretionary grants in London (reports, September 3, 6) have my full sympathy. Since the demise of the Inner London Education Authority the award of such grants to arts students has been lamentable.

We know that it is thought not to be the concern of central government, but who else is to remedy a situation which is grossly unfair to those students who happen to reside in our capital city?

Although the local authorities concerned seem more than enthusiastic about the work done at this school, only a very few can be persuaded to support the students who apply for entry. We have learned not to expect a full grant, but no grant at all seems discriminatory.

Yours faithfully,
ROGER de GREY,
Principal,
City and Guilds of London Art School,
124 Kennington Park Road, SE11.
September 18.

Japanese strategy troubles unions

From the General Secretary of MSF

Sir, Your report "Japanese protest to TUC over 'alien' criticism" (September 16) is a bit shy on citing names. Nevertheless the issues raised are important.

The facts are straightforward enough: large sections of "British" manufacturing industry, including consumer electronics, computers and the motor industry, are dominated by foreign companies. This trend was encouraged in the Thatcher years and if allowed to continue will destroy any possibility of developing an industrial strategy responding to the needs of the British people. In short it is a threat to democracy and national sovereignty.

There is no question but that Japanese companies have a strategic approach to industrial relations world wide. In Britain this takes the form of company unionism, where the company, not the employee, picks the union to represent its workforce. This is perverse and alien not only to British traditions but to International Labour Organisation conventions. If not halted it will be internationalised and used to undermine independent free trade unionism world wide.

As I made clear at the TUC Congress, MSF (Manufacturing, Science, Finance union) is not against inward investment, not against Japanese investment. But like our Japanese trade union colleagues we are against companies deciding which unions shall represent their workforces. That is for the workers to decide. And we are for a better balance within industry, with British capital and British ownership playing the dominant role in all key sectors.

The accusations quoted in your report of "racism" and of the TUC decision being "chronically brain-dead" are laughable. Only those who believe that the free play of market forces is the answer to Britain's chronic under-investment in manufacturing have ceased to think or care about Britain's future.

Yours sincerely,
KEN GILL,
General Secretary, MSF,
Park House,
64-66 Wandsworth Common,
North Side, SW18.
September 17.

Consuming passions

From Mr Alan Long

Sir, As a toiler in the groves of peaceful persuasion for vegetarianism I deplore recourse to violence and crime. However, Bernard Levin ("Four legs good, two legs bad", September 16) should accompany his horror of the Animal Liberation Front with a disavowal of the assault and battery that furnishes his appetite.

The honest English words slaughter and butchery convey the horrors in the massacre he connives at and patronises. I would not ask him to assume "sandals, tweeds, and an untidy beard" nor any hatred of his fellows to mark the conversion.

Good wishes,
ALAN LONG,
14 Woodland Rise,
Greenford, Middlesex.

National lottery

From Mr D. C. T. Frewer

Sir, What is this nonsense that we do not have a tradition or culture of lotteries (letters, September 16, 17)? What else is the national (government-run) Premium Bond drawing every month?

Yours sincerely,
D. C. T. FREWER,
Windrush Lodge,
Middleton Park,
Middleton Stoney, Oxfordshire.
September 18.

Sputtering on

From Mr Michael Patchett-Joyce

Sir, I saw a Trabant at Tarn Hows in the Lake District on September 14. The further sighting by Mr Hawkins at Glenridding two days later (letter, September 20) strongly suggests that these cars are capable of averaging some six miles a day in difficult terrain.

Yours faithfully,
MICHAEL PATCHETT-JOYCE,
3 Willow Road, NW3.

From Mr Michael Clark

Sir, Soon after the Berlin Wall was breached I witnessed a Trabant speeding down The Mound in Edinburgh, the driver clearly intent on putting as many miles on the clock of his classic car as possible. Who knows, he may still be going.

Yours faithfully,
MICHAEL CLARK,
224 Long Lane, Finchley, N3.

From Mr Andrew Bradford

Sir, I overtook a Trabant on the Forth Road Bridge — I gave it a congratulatory hoot — it was going North (not very fast).

Yours faithfully,
ANDREW BRADFORD,
Kincardine, Kincardine O'Neil,
Aboyne, Aberdeenshire.

From Mr Alasdair Alldridge

Sir, I saw a Trabant at Broadford, Isle of Skye, on September 11. I remember thinking how I feared for its safety if it met a sheep on one of our single-track roads.

Yours faithfully,
ALASDAIR ALLDRIDGE,
Kinloch, Isle Ornsay, Isle of Skye.
September 20.

COURT CIRCULAR

BALMORAL CASTLE
September 21: The Queen was represented by the Very Reverend Doctor William Morris (Dean of the Chapel Royal in Scotland) at the Service of Thanksgiving for the life of the Very Reverend the Lord Macleod of Fuinary (Extra Chaplain to The Queen in Scotland) at Govan Old Parish Church, Glasgow this afternoon.

KENSINGTON PALACE
September 21: The Prince of Wales was represented by the Reverend Charles Robertson at the Service of Thanksgiving for the life of the Very Reverend the Lord Macleod of Fuinary (Extra Chaplain to The Queen in Scotland) at Govan Old Parish Church, Glasgow this afternoon.

BALMORAL CASTLE
September 22: Divine Service was held in Crathie Parish Church this morning.

The Reverend David Ogston preached the Sermon.

KENSINGTON PALACE
September 22: The Princess of Wales departed from Heathrow Airport, London this morning at the start of a tour of Pakistan.

The following were present and took leave of Her Royal Highness: His Excellency the Pakistan High Commissioner (Dr Humayun Khan), Air Commodore J.F. Langer (representing Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant for Greater London) and Mr Robin Baxendale (Manager, Special Facilities, Heathrow Airport Ltd.).

Viscountess Campden, Mr Patrick Jephson, Mr. Richard Arbiter and Surgeon-Captain Tony Osborne, RN, are in attendance.

YORK HOUSE
ST JAMES'S PALACE
September 22: The Duke of Kent, Trustee of the Science Museum, this evening attended a Private Screening and Dinner in support of the National Museum of Photography, Film and Television at the British Academy of Film and Television Arts, 195 Piccadilly, London W1.

Commander Roger Walker, RN, was in attendance.

Today's royal engagement

Princess Alexandra will open St Mary's Hospital, Isle of Wight, at 2.00; and Newcroft Hospital at 4.25.

Appointments

David Cochrane, Mark Boleat and **Stella Clarke** have been reappointed to the Housing Corporation Board.

Memorial service

Sir Ronald Prain
A memorial service for Sir Ronald Prain was held on Saturday in Cheltenham College Chapel. The Rev Anthony Stidolph, chaplain to the college, officiated and Mr Nigel Farrow, President of the Cheltonian Society, read the lesson. Dr John Mackay gave an address.

Marriages

Mr P.C.S. Allfrey and Mrs D.R.A. Templer
A service of blessing was held on Saturday at the Church of St John the Evangelist, Sutton Veny, Warminster, after the marriage, on Thursday, of Mr Peter Allfrey, only son of the late Lieutenant-General Sir Charles and Lady Allfrey, to Mrs Delia Templer, daughter of Lieutenant-Colonel and Mrs Hugh Dunsterville, of Halse House, Sutton Veny. The Right Rev Paul Burrough officiated.

Mr G.A. Bowman-Shaw and Miss A.L. Havergal
The marriage took place on Saturday, at the Church of St John the Baptist, Hindon, of Mr Andrew Bowman-Shaw, eldest son of Sir Neville and Lady Bowman-Shaw, and Miss Louise Havergal, daughter of Colonel and Mrs Malcolm Havergal, of Spero House, Hindon. The Right Rev Michael Mann officiated, assisted by the Rev Malcolm Acheson.

The bride was given away by her father and was attended by Camilla Brogaard, Daisy Browne, Alexandra Findlay, Anna Wills, Edward Findlay, Johnnie Hume and Charlie Landale. The bridegroom was supported by Mr Fergus and Mr Justin Bowman-Shaw.

A reception was held at the home of the bride and the honeymoon is being spent abroad.

Major G.K. Bibby and Miss G.A. Ingham
The marriage took place on Saturday, September 14, at Aboyne, Scotland, of Major Greville Bibby, Grenadier Guards, and Miss Gillian Ingham. The Rev W. Watt and the Rev K. Pillar officiated. Mr Brodie Bibby was best man.

Mr N.J. Daniels and Miss J.M.R. Gavaghan
The marriage took place on Saturday, September 14, at St Joan of Arc Church, Farnham, Surrey, between Mr Nicholas John Daniels, son of Mr and Mrs John Daniels, of Ash, Surrey, and Miss Jane Mary Rebecca Gavaghan, daughter of Mr and Mrs Alan Gavaghan, of Farnham, Surrey. Father James Martin officiated.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was attended by Andrea Noon, Carolyn Fenwick and Jane Wheatcroft. Mr Robert Danbury was best man.

A reception was held at the home of the bride and the honeymoon is being spent in Scotland.

Mr A.D. Gurnham and Miss C.A. Ayres
The marriage took place on Saturday, at St Nicholas' Church, Pyrford, of Mr Andrew Gurnham, son of Mr David Gurnham, MBE, and Mrs Shirley Gurnham, of Solihull, and Miss Carol Ayres, daughter of Mr and Mrs Jeffrey Ayres, of Weybridge.

Mr A. Harley and Miss S.R. de la Mare
The marriage took place quietly on September 20, in London, between Andy Harley and Rosie de la Mare.

Mr H.A. Johnsen and Miss C.E. Hobson
The marriage took place on Saturday, September 21, at St Giles' Church, Shipbourne, Kent, of Mr Hugo Johnsen, eldest son of Mr and Mrs Peter Johnsen, to Miss Claire Hobson, elder daughter of the late Mr Stanley Hobson and of Mrs Hobson.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her mother, was attended by Harriet Manners, Flora Lowther, William Davison, Katherine and Jonathon Sandberg, Alice Trouby and William Gibson-Fleming. Mr James Johnsen was best man.

Dr A.P.McD. Orchard and Miss C.C. Brind
The marriage took place on Saturday, September 21, in St John's College Chapel, Oxford, between Andrew, younger son of Mr and Mrs K.A. Orchard, and Clare, only daughter of Mr and Mrs A.H. Brind. The Chaplain, the Rev Tim Gorringe officiated.

A reception was held at St Giles House.

Mr H.M. Parker and Miss S.J. Alvin
The marriage took place on Thursday, September 19, at Chelsea Old Church, between Mr Henry Mowbray Parker and Miss Susan Jane Alvin. Prebendary C.E. Leighton Thomson officiated, assisted by Father Patrick Nolan.

The bride, who was given away by her mother, was attended by Miss Molly Ronan and Miss Kate Donald. Mr Nicholas Bence-Trower was best man.

A reception was held at Claridge's and the honeymoon is being spent abroad.

Mr W. Ruprecht and Miss C. Powell
The marriage has taken place in Harare, Zimbabwe, between Mr Walter Ruprecht, eldest son of Mr and Mrs Joseph Ruprecht, and Miss Catherine Powell, only daughter of Sir Nicholas Powell, Bt, and Daphne Lady Powell.

Forthcoming marriages

Mr P.J. Bartlett and Miss A.R. Ricketts
The engagement is announced between Peter, son of Mr John Bartlett, of Lymington, Hampshire, and Mrs Philippa Bartlett, of Polzeath, Cornwall, and Amelia, only daughter of Mr and Mrs Howard Ricketts, of Chelsea, London.

Mr G.S. Cherry and Mrs P.J. Naylor
The engagement is announced between Graham, eldest son of Mr and Mrs A.H. Cherry, of Fryerning, Essex, and Penelope, elder daughter of Dr and Mrs P.A. Lawrence, of Iffley, Oxford.

Mr T. Fallowfield and Miss A.C. McCormick
The engagement is announced between Timothy, son of Mr and Mrs Roy Fallowfield, of Amersham, Buckinghamshire, and Alison Claire, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs David K. McCormick, of Worsley, Greater Manchester.

Mr C.S. Ferguson and Miss L.H.E. Parsons
The engagement is announced between Charles, elder son of Captain and Mrs A.D. Ferguson, of Culverstone, Kent, and Lucy, daughter of Mr and Mrs A.D. Parsons, of Putney, London.

Mr H.F. Gill and Miss A.M. McCluskey
The engagement is announced between Howard, son of Dr and Mrs John Gill, of Wychbold, Tattingstone, Suffolk, and Ann, daughter of Wing Commander and Mrs Roy McCluskey, of Notting Hill, London.

Mr M.G.S. Greville and Miss E.S. Tarlton
The engagement is announced between Michael, eldest son of Dr and Mrs N.R. Greville, of West Mersea, Essex, and Samantha, eldest daughter of the late Malcolm Tarlton and Mrs P. Fetherston-Godley, of Cherington, Gloucestershire.

Mr D.J. Macqueen and Miss A.C. Nileshwar
The engagement is announced between Duncan, younger son of Mr and Mrs A.R. Macqueen, of Bristol, and Anna, daughter of Dr and Mrs V.B. Nileshwar, of Sutton Coldfield, West Midlands.

British Society of Gastroenterology

Dr R.J. Bennett has been elected President of the British Society of Gastroenterology.

OBITUARIES

BARNEY COLEHAN

Barney Colehan, MBE, creator and, during its 30-year run, director of the television show The Good Old Days, *died on September 21 in hospital at Rawdon, near Leeds, aged 77. He was born on January 19, 1914.*

FROM its home in the City Varieties music hall, Leeds, *The Good Old days* first dominated the nation's television screens and then proceeded to take the world by storm. In a remarkable run, which began with a pilot programme in 1953 and continued unbroken until it was taken off the screens in 1983, it preserved old-time music hall virtues in a television age which so often encourages audiences to look to slicker forms of entertainment. With the variety and scope of the acts it introduced it brought the excitement of live theatre, in this case personified by the handsome, red plush interior of the eighteenth-century City Varieties, into the sitting room with only the minimum of technical compromise necessary for the medium of television (such as the introduction of the chairman to link the acts).

The Good Old Days was also the nursery of many a showbusiness career – indeed it claimed to have launched more actors to stardom than any other show in the country. Rod Hull and Emu, Ken Dodd, Frankie Vaughan, Morecambe and Wise and Spike Milligan were just some of the household names to whose subsequent progress Colehan's show gave early impetus. In treading its boards they did so in the footsteps of distinguished company; Harry Houdini, Lily Langtree and Charlie Chaplin had all performed at the City Varieties.

Integral to the atmosphere of the show were the members of its audience, who were required to turn up in costume. Over the years they numbered over 60,000 in all, still only a tiny proportion of those who would have liked to attend. The BBC closed the waiting list for seats when it stretched to eight years.

Colehan was born Bernard Colehan and educated at St Bede's Grammar School, Leeds. He left at 16 to work in a Leeds chemist's shop but his love of theatricals dominated his life from an early age and in the 1930s he was president of a local amateur operatic society. When war broke out he joined the army where his inclinations took a more purposeful step forward when he was offered a job in entertainment with the British Forces' Network. He ended the war as a major serving in Germany.

Back in civilian life he was offered a job by the BBC and began a partnership with Wilfred Pickles which led, in 1947, to the radio show *Have A Go*. During the course of the series, which ran for 21 years, his christian name acquired its metamorphosed form through the programme's famous catch-phrase "Give 'em the money, Barney". Colehan left radio in 1951 and moved to Leeds as a television producer. In 1952 he conceived the idea of presenting variety for television in an authentic music hall setting, and in that year produced *The Story of Music Hall*. The first programme of *The Good Old days* was broadcast in July 1953 to an enthusiastic reception from viewers. It was to become the longest-running light entertainment show in the world and in spite of its throroughgoing Englishness it exported effortlessly. British holiday makers abroad in venues as far apart as Perth, Australia, and Portugal were frequently astonished to hear the strains of its theme song, "The Old Bull and Bush" emanating from the TV sets in their hotel bars (even today, eight years after its being taken off television in this country the programme is still being screened in Australia).

Nevertheless, in spite of its being accounted "as English as roast beef and Yorkshire pud" and in defiance of still healthy ratings – between eight and ten million viewers – in 1983 the BBC decided that enough was enough. Colehan was, predictably, inundated with letters pleading for it to be reinstated. "It was like water or gas", he said sadly, "Everyone took it for granted until the tap was turned off." *The Good Old Days* nevertheless continued as a music hall act at the City Varieties and Colehan had recently been preparing a new season to begin there in October. Colehan followed its success as the first producer of *It's a Knockout*, featuring Stuart Hall and Eddie Waring, a show which ran for 16 years from 1966.

With his curly handlebar moustache and immaculate turnout Colehan would have made a thoroughly suitable member of one of his own audiences. His energy, enthusiasm and the professionalism he applied to the selection of acts for the show were integral to the success of *The Good Old Days*, which, among other things rescued a fine old theatre from possible oblivion and put it on the international map. He never missed a single programme through illness and travelled the world looking for talent for it. He was appointed MBE for his contribution to entertainment in 1981.

He leaves his widow, Monica.

TERENCE LEATHAM

Terence Robert Leatham, headmaster and wartime intelligence officer, died in Caterham, on September 11 aged 80. He was born in Cambridge on July 31, 1911.

TERRY Leatham was a successful headmaster for 30 years, most of whose friends and acquaintances were unaware that he had been a senior member of the Ultra group at Bletchley Park during the second world war.

He was educated at Marlborough and St John's College, Cambridge, where his father, a former university lecture in mathematics, had been senior bursar. He read history and modern languages and was president of the union in the Lent term of 1933, as had been his brother John four years before, an unusual fraternal achievement.

He would have liked to go to the Bar but it was not financially viable for him. Instead he taught for two years at King's College School, Wimbledon, and was persuaded to move to Christ's Hospital by the then headmaster, H. L. O. Flecker, who had been his housemaster at Marlborough. Called up while on his honeymoon in January 1940, he became intelligence officer to the 6th Devons and went with the ill-fated and badly organised British Expeditionary Force to Norway to interrogate German prisoners of which there were very few. The country was rapidly overrun and he returned to Britain on one of the last available boats. Soon afterwards, he was posted to Bletchley Park, to join the Ultra team which gave the Allied high command an insight into the mind of the enemy at the highest level.

From 1941 to 1945 he was head of the army section in Hut 3 which contributed so much to victory in the desert and in Europe, reaching the rank of lieutenant colonel. He dealt with intelligence derived from the decoded German military Enigma radio transmissions. Copious indexes were maintained on every army unit mentioned in the signals and there was daily liaison with the War Office to enable the significance of new information to be accurately assessed before it was passed on to the eventual recipients in the field. Among those whom he worked alongside was Ralph Bennett, author of *Ultra In The West* and *Ultra and Mediterranean Strategy*.

For Leatham, as for others involved, signing the Official Secrets Act was a binding oath. He did not talk about his work at Bletchley Park even to his wife until the operation became generally known about and papers were made available to the public in 1977.

While still serving he was chosen as headmaster of Ludlow Grammar School and took up his appointment as soon as he was demobilised in October 1945. He was very highly regarded there and moved to Caterham School in 1950. His brother John was already headmaster of Taunton School. Probably never before had there been a pair of Presbyterian brothers who were members of the Headmaster's Conference at the same time.

Terence Leatham is remembered for his warm humanity, his gentleness, accessibility and deep concern for individuals. He could persuade others to his agreement without their realising they were being persuaded. To say no to a request from Leatham seemed almost an affront to natural goodness. He stoically endured and survived the turbulence of the Sixties.

On his retirement in 1973 he continued to live in Caterham, an asset and in no way an embarrassment to his successor. He was chairman of the campaigning committees which saved the Caterham Dene Hospital. He was the immensely sympathetic chairman of the Juvenile Bench. He worked part time from 1974 to 1989 at the Public Record Office in London, producing a descriptive list of the State Papers (France) correspondence between the secretaries of state and the British representatives in that country in the period 1745 – 1777, work requiring a painstaking and scholarly approach and of much value to historians. His colleagues there, like those throughout his life, found him a most modest and congenial person.

He is survived by his wife, Mary, and a son and daughter.

RICHARD HOLT

Richard Holt, Conservative MP for Langbaurgh since 1983, died on September 21 aged 60. He was born on August 2, 1931.

RICHARD Holt was noted both inside and outside the House of Commons for a species of right-wing Conservatism which was often expressed in highly coloured, not to say violent, terms. Thus, when pressing for a debate in the House of Commons in 1985 on the subject of law and order, he demanded hyperbolically of the leader of the Commons, Mr John Biffen, whether such a debate ought not to take place "before all the football stadiums in the country are ripped up, before every woman has been raped, before every child has been battered and before all old people have been mugged?" On that occasion Mr Biffen riposted gently but sardonically that debates must be related to reality, hinting at the same time that Holt's picture of 1980s Britain bore little resemblance to the facts of perceivable experience.

Those not similarly restrained by the necessities of politeness attaching to the position of leader of the House or by party were frequently apt to stigmatise Langbaurgh's portly member of Parliament in less flattering terms; thus one newspaper columnist described him as "huge of frame but slightly less well-endowed of brain". Not that Holt would have minded overmuch. He gloried in his abrasive image and in his reputation for going for the jugulars of opponents – or even of those of members of his own party if occasion demanded it. He was demanding the resignation of Mrs Edwina Currie only a fortnight after her becoming junior health minister, after remarks she made about the poor health of northerners.

Besides law and order, the BBC (for what he perceived as its left-wing bias), greater freedom for local councils to spend the receipts from council house sales and the restoration of capital punishment (he once proposed a purpose-built death row on a remote moor or island where the condemned could choose the method of their execution) were all favourite themes. But there were paradoxical concerns: he was a rebel on football identity cards; he had a genuine interest in the subject of Alzheimer's disease and his concern about unemployment among the young (a subject of which he had considerable knowledge and first-hand experience) made him a vigorous proponent of a complete overhaul of methods of youth education and training.

James Richard Holt was not himself a northener. He was born at Harrow, the son of a regular soldier, and though he spent some of his childhood in India where his father served, was largely educated at Wembley County Grammar School. From 1949 to 1954 he served as a seaman in the Royal Navy and on coming out toyed with acting for three years before joining General Motors as a personnel trainee in 1957. He then had various personnel appointments: with Smiths Industries, 1963-1965, and with Rolls Royce, 1965-66, before joining the William Hill organisation where he worked until 1972.

His political career began in local government with his election to Brent council in 1966 and he later served on High Wycombe borough and Buckinghamshire county councils. After contesting Brent South in February 1974 he was successful at Langbaurgh in 1983 and devoted his maiden speech to the House to a passionate plea for the restoration of the death penalty for all categories of murder. He later urged a radical rethink about local government and called for abolition of the licence fee as a way of funding the BBC, in favour of partial support from advertising.

He leaves his widow, Mary, and a son and daughter.

SUZANNE de SAINT MATHURIN

Suzanne de Saint Mathurin, French prehistorian, has died aged 91. She was born at La Rochelle on July 19, 1900.

SUZANNE de Saint Mathurin was best known for her work on Ice Age sites. She had an unusual life for a woman of her generation. Her early ambition to be a doctor was thwarted by her father; instead she studied literature and, after a spell as a lectress at Oxford, worked until the last war on seventeenth century manuscripts, including the correspondence between Diderot and Catherine the Great housed in Leningrad.

Just before 1939 she met the Abbé Henri Breuil and helped him classify the collections of prehistoric art in Bordeaux's natural history museum. She then worked on prehistoric sites in Brittany and southwest France, most notably at La Quina with Germaine Henri-Martin.

Her principal collaboration, however, was with Professor Dorothy Garrod, Cambridge's first-ever woman professor, at the magnificent site of Angles sur l'Anglin where they discovered that the back wall and ceiling of the rock shelter had been sculpted and painted around 14,000 years ago with vivid images of human beings, bison, horses and ibex. Garrod died in 1968, and de Saint Mathurin never managed to produce more than a few disparate papers on this major site which therefore remains largely unpublished. She gave some of the fallen fragments of the sculptured frieze to the Musée des Antiquités Nationales at Saint Germain en Laye where they are displayed.

She remained a confirmed anglophile till the end of her life, counting the late Professor Glyn Daniel among her greatest friends.

Christening

The infant daughter of Mr and Mrs Abel Hadden was christened Camilla Margaret on Sunday, September 22, at St Mary, The Boltons by the Rev Stephen Bartlett. The godparents are Prince Edward, Mr Charles Mathews, Sir Tim Bell, Mrs Aziz Laghzaoui and Mrs Nick Lander.

Service dinner

Royal Monmouthshire Royal Engineers (Militia)
Brigadier J.H. Hooper, Joint Honorary Colonel of the Royal Monmouthshire Royal Engineers (Militia), presided at the annual dinner of the dining club held on Saturday at the Castle, Monmouth. The principal guests were Major-General Michael Matthews, Secretary of the Council of the TAVRA, and Mrs Matthews and Brigadier R.E.L. Jenkins, Secretary of the TAVRA Wales, and Mrs Jenkins.

Dinner

Old Leysian Union
Mr A.H.B. Turner, President of the Old Leysian Union, presided at the annual dinner held on Saturday at the University Arms Hotel, Cambridge. Mr J. Eaton and the Rev J.C.A. Barrett, Headmaster of The Leys School, also spoke.

Luncheon

Japan Festival
The Crown Prince of Japan was the guest of honour at a luncheon held on Saturday at Bute Hall, Glasgow. The Hon George Younger, MP, Chairman of the Scottish Committee of the Japan Festival, and Sir William Fraser, Principal and Vice-Chancellor of Glasgow University, were the hosts.

Lang steps in to save mansion

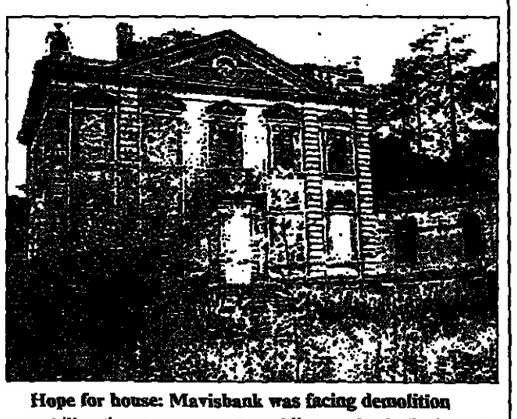
By Marcus Binney
Architecture Correspondent

IAN Lang, the Scottish secretary, is seeking to purchase compulsorily Mavisbank, a beautiful early Georgian house that has been the despair of conservationists since fire gutted it in 1973. Designed as a miniature Palladian villa with matching wings by William Adam, father of Robert Adam, it was built in 1723-27 for Sir John Clerk, himself an amateur architect and a key figure in Scottish arts.

For years wrecked caravans and dumped cars filled the grounds and there were fears that house and grounds would so degenerate that planning permission would eventually be given to sell the 70-acre landscaped park, six miles south of Edinburgh in Loanhead for a speculative development.

Soon after Midloathian district council secured a court order to clear the park of abandoned vehicles, a dangerous structures notice was placed on the house and immediate demolition was threatened.

Shortly before the deadline expired the Lothian Buildings Preservation Trust secured an interdict, the Scottish equivalent of an injunction, staying demolition and subsequently the Scottish secretary stepped in to pay for emergency work to stabilise the structure and protect it from coal-mining subsidence.



Hope for house: Mavisbank was facing demolition

Hopes for the house once again foundered when the owner, Archie Stevenson, divided the land into multiple ownership and many of the supposed owners were traced to accommodation addresses in the United States at which they were not known.

In January this year Mr Lang scheduled the house and park as a monument of national importance under the Ancient Monuments and Archaeological Areas Act of 1979. This has enabled him to draw up a draft compulsory purchase order for the entire 70 acres, using the new powers for the first time.

If there are objections, a public enquiry is likely to be called. After successful purchase, Historic Scotland, the counterpart of English Heritage, will carry out a full restoration of the shell of the house. The original hipped roof will be reconstructed and floors and windows reinstated. Detailed surveys have been carried out and the cost of the work is estimated at £2.1 million. A range of possible uses, including appropriate residential or commercial uses, will be looked at.

Historic Scotland has recently completed a similar exercise at Duff House outside Banff in Grampian, where it is hoped the house will be opened jointly with the National Galleries of Scotland.

Church news

Clergy appointments

The Rev David Ellis: to be also an Honorary Canon of Carlisle Cathedral on taking up his appointment as Team Rector, Holy Trinity and St Barnabas, Carlisle.
The Rev Stephen Evans, Rector, St Mary and St Peter, Montrose, and of St David of Scotland, Inverbervie (Brechin): to be Vicar, St Paul's, Semilong, Northampton (Peterborough).
The Rev Stephen Hardie, Rector, Wivenhoe: to be Team Rector, Dovercourt and Parkeston Team Ministry, and Priest-in-charge, Harwich (Chelmsford).
The Rev Paul Hardingham, Pastor-in-charge, St Johns, Harborne Heath (Birmingham): to be Rector, Ipswich St Matthew w Emmanuel Church (St Edmundsbury and Ipswich).
The Rev Paul Hocking, Vicar, All Hallow's, Ipswich: to be Priest-in-charge, Great Cornard (St Edmundsbury and Ipswich).
The Ven Thomas Hodgson, recently retired Archdeacon of West Cumberland: to be Archdeacon Emeritus (Carlisle).
The Rev Canon David Jenkins, Vicar, St Cuthbert w St Mary, Carlisle: to be a Residentiary Canon of Carlisle Cathedral. He remains Carlisle Diocesan Secretary.
The Rev Anthony Lucas, Priest-in-charge, St George the Martyr, Southwark: to be Rector, St George the Martyr, Southwark (Southwark).
The Rev Leonard Marsh, USPG Area Secretary (Southwark): to be Chaplain to City University and the Guildhall School of Music and Drama (London).
The Rev Geoffrey Miller, Team Vicar, Billingham St Aidan and St Luke Team Ministry: to be Diocesan Urban Development Officer (Durham).
The Rev Allan Park, Vicar, Barton w Peel Green (Manchester): to be Priest-in-charge, St John the Baptist, Upperby, Carlisle (Carlisle).
The Rev John Risby, Rector, Hunsdon w Widford and Wareside: to be also Rural Dean of Hertford (St Albans).
The Rev J Henry Settimba, formerly Curate, West Ham, All Saints: to be Curate-in-charge, Forest Gate, All Saints in the Forest Gate Group Ministry (Chelmsford).
The Rev Brian Shannon, Vicar, Thorpe le Soken: to be Vicar, Great Wakering w Foulness (Chelmsford).
The Rev Albert Turner, Curate, St Mary's, Woodford, London (Chelmsford): to be Rector, Great Worth and Marston St Lawrence w Warkworth and Thenford (Peterborough).
The Rev David Underwood, non-stipendiary Minister, Barrow w Denham and Higham Green: to be Deacon, Haverhill Team Ministry (St Edmundsbury and Ipswich).
The Rev Canon Martin Wallace, Vicar, Forest Gate, St Mark, Forest Gate Group Ministry: to be *also* Priest-in-charge, Forest Gate, All Saints, Forest Gate Group Ministry (Chelmsford).

Birthdays today

Mr Gerald Balding, racehorse trainer, 55; Mr Ray Charles, singer, 61; Baroness David, 78; the Duke of Fife, 62; Mr J.E.A.R. Guinness, former deputy-chairman, Provident Mutual Life Assurance Association, 67; Sir Gordon Hadow, colonial administrator, 83; Mr Richard Lambert, editor, *The Financial Times*, 47; Sir Henry Lintott, diplomat, 83; Dr B.B. Lloyd, former chairman, Health Education Council, 71; Mr Charles Lloyd, former headmaster, Dulwich College, 76; Mrs Genista McIntosh, executive director, Royal National Theatre, 45; Mr Mickey Rooney, actor, 71; Miss Margaret Smyth, former matron, St Thomas' Hospital, 94; the Earl of Southesk, 98; Mr Bruce Springsteen, rock singer, 42; Miss Marianne Straub, textile designer, 82; Major-General D.E.B. Talbot, 83; Admiral Sir John Treacher, 67.

Anniversaries

BIRTHS: Augustus, first Roman emperor 23BC-AD14, Rome, 63BC; Jeremy Collier, writer, Stow cum Quy, Cambs, 1650; William Archer, journalist, Perth, 1856; Emma Orczy, Baroness Orczy, novelist, Tarnaörs, Hungary, 1865; Paul Delraux, surrealist painter, Belgium, 1897.

DEATHS: Robert Dodsley, poet and dramatist, Durham, 1764; Richard Bonington, landscape painter, London, 1828.

Latymer Foundation at Hammersmith

The Governors of the Latymer Foundation at Hammersmith have appointed Mr Colin Diggory, BSc, to be Headmaster of Latymer Upper School with immediate effect.

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Emma Klein

Reconciling Freud with religious belief

SIGMUND Freud died on the Day of Atonement, which, in 1939, fell on September 23. It might seem a peculiar irony that the founder of psychoanalysis, a convinced atheist, ended his life on the holiest day of the Jewish year. For as Jewish tradition would have it, it is the most righteous who are called to their maker on this day.

It may be argued, however, that some unconscious instinct was impelling Freud to come to a final reckoning with the transcendent force he had refused to recognise. For the meaning of Yom Kippur includes being "at one" with the Almighty and with one's fellows, laying bare one's soul, holding back from oneself no truth, however uncomfortable. Only a genuine process of introspection can lead to repentance from which true forgiveness may spring.

Observed in this way, Yom Kippur may be seen as a paradigm of the healing process which is the goal of psychoanalysis. Both demand complete integrity from the individual, a commitment to facing up to the most painful characteristics of one's being, whether seen as rooted in the past or manifest in current patterns of behaviour. Both seek to penetrate the darker recesses of man's soul, whether to obtain greater self-awareness or to facilitate expiation. Why then has there been such a longstanding dichotomy between psychoanalysis and religious belief?

One possible answer is that many of the pioneers of psychoanalysis were, like Freud, assimilated Jews who had lost touch with the well-spring of their faith. This may explain why, to many in the Christian world, psychoanalysis was perceived as a Jewish heresy, rather than an attempt to throw off the shackles of religion.

Where Freud had drawn on Greek mythology, in particular the Oedipus myth, to illustrate the subjugation of the individual to unconscious forces, the Bible is not short of equally potent illustrations. Paramount among these is the expulsion from Eden, central to Christianity as the fall from grace and the source of original sin, but also a story that can be interpreted in less negative terms. As Jonathan Magonet suggests in his recent book, *A Rabbi's Bible*, leaving the garden can be seen as "the first liberation from the slavery of the womb". If it can be argued that it was their unconscious negativity that propelled Adam and Eve out of the secure haven of Eden, it was the recognition of their nakedness, or powerlessness, that enabled them to assume responsibility for their own lives.

With this responsibility comes the ability to choose. Is life's journey to be a random and senseless wandering or is it a quest, through trials and experience, to attain wholeness? And if it is the latter, can this wholeness be seen as an exclusively human achievement, or is it bound up with the awareness of some higher, transcendent force?

This is the crucial question. For Freud, wholeness could only be achieved by gaining as full an understanding as possible of the world of man's soul. For all its hidden mystery, however, the soul, for him, did not represent a religious phenomenon but a psychological concept. Freud wanted to entrust psychoanalysis to "a profession of secular ministers of souls who don't have to be physicians and must not be priests".

It is here, however, that Freud appears to have overlooked or denied the basic human craving to revere something beyond the merely human. By stripping the quest for wholeness of holiness, he has, paradoxically, facilitated the rise of a pseudo-religion in which many practitioners and patients have elevated psychoanalysis itself into a god.

But if this is the nether side of psychoanalysis, it is by no means the whole picture. There are practitioners with the humility to acknowledge their very human limitations, who seek to restore their patients to wholeness by, in the words of a London psychoanalyst, providing "a safe space in which people can try to get to know themselves, including those areas which are painful and humiliating and incomplete".

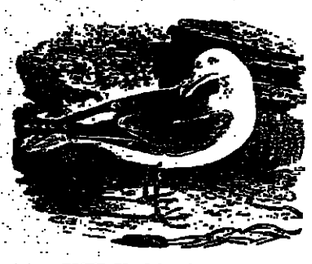
In a similar way, at the same time every year, the Day of Atonement and the Ten Days of Penitence preceding it offer a safe space in which individuals may grapple with the deeds and impulses which impinge on their acceptance of themselves. While the pious may beat their breasts and intone every one of the litany of sins which is at the core of the cycle of Yom Kippur services, this is only the outward form. All worshippers, by examining their own heart, painfully acknowledge the reality of how they have abused themselves and others, and can find release.

It is then that the words of the prophet Malachi reverberate in the soul at once cleansed and renewed: "Have we not all one father? Has not one God created us?"

Emma Klein is a writer on religious affairs.

Nature Notes

LARGE numbers of lesser black-backed gulls are now crossing the country on their way south. They feed along rivers, especially the Thames, and roost on the reservoirs, sometimes a thousand or more together. With their dark mantles and hooked yellow beaks, these flocks are a sinister sight. Herons are also seen more widely, as immigrants come in from the Continent, and young birds that were bred here wander away from the heronries. The young herons still lack the white head and flowing black eye stripe and crest of their parents, though they have a small grey crest.



LESSER BLACK-BACKED GULL

On heathland, harebells are still in bloom: they have long, spiky sepals at the base of the lilac flowers. They often grow near sweet-smelling mats of wild thyme, which also still has plenty of small pink flowers. The snapdragon-like flowers of yellow toadflax are abundant in grassy places: this is a tenacious plant, and if dug up can grow again from a small scrap of root left behind. A common dragonfly just now is the sympetrum, a reddish species that swarms in fields and along footpaths. Small heath butterflies are on the wing, mingling in some places with a late brood of meadow browns.

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Appointments in the Forces

Royal Navy

COMMODORE: M D Bracelin – NATO 14.2.92

CAPTAIN: M A Purvis – MOD Portsmouth 22.11.91; J A Trewby – COMCLYDE in the rank of Cdre 17.3.92

COMMANDER: P D Ambrose – Nelson 4.2.92; H S Clark – Staff of CINCFLEET 25.10.91; J W A Clayden – MOD Bath in AHR of Capelin 19.11.91; J M Clisson – Staff of FONA 17.1.92; C D Craddock – Sheffield in Cmd 22.9.91; J Davies – MOD Lisahally 22.11.91; A Dyer – MOD Bath 27.3.92; P C Gregory – Manadon 18.11.91; E R Robinson – HMS Devonport 10.1.92; E F Searle – RNC Greenwich 8.11.91; G M Skinns – Staff of CINCNAVHOME 13.12.91; T A Spires – Osprey 20.2.91; R P Steele – Staff of CINCNAVHOME 8.2.92; P L Stubbs – NATO 10.1.92.

CHAPLAIN: I W Rutherford – Neptune 7.11.91.

Royal Marines

MAJORS: Mat J G M Downton to be Loc Lt Col and to RNSC Greenwich 27.3.92.

The Army

LIEUTENANT GENERALS: A S J Blacker to be MOD 11.10.91 in succession to J Stibbon; The Hon W E Rous to be Military Secretary 21.10.91 in succession to J Learmont.

MAJOR GENERALS: H M Rose to be Commandant Staff College, 30.9.91 in succession to the Hon W E Rous; A A Denison-Smith to be Commander 4th Armoured Div, 30.11.91 in succession to J C Mackenzie; S C Grant to be D G Army Training, 9.9.91 in succession to A A Denison-Smith; P J Sheppard to be Chief of Staff BAOR, 23.9.91 in succession to F G Sinclair; M J D Walker to be GOC NE District/2nd Infantry Div, 30.9.91 in succession to H M Rose.

Royal Air Force

GROUP CAPTAIN: G D Simpson – To Sharpe as PSO DRACUR (RAF) 6.9.91; E M Hancock – To MOD MTE 19.9.91; V M Hand – to HQRAFSC 16.9.91; A J H Alcock – To RAF Wattisham as OC 16.9.91; N E Taylor – To RAFC Bracknell 16.9.91; A G Cleaver – To SHAPE 20.9.91; M J Abbott – To MOD(AFD) 20.9.91; B R Lee – To SHAPE 20.9.91.

WING COMMANDER: W Barnet – To MOD AFD 16 Sep 91; I P Grieg – To HQSTC 16.9.91; D J Keenan – To Boscome Down 20.9.91; P Bentham – To HQ NATO 20.9.91; N D Hughes – To MOD CVE 20.9.91; D J Holliday – To MOD CVE 20.9.91.

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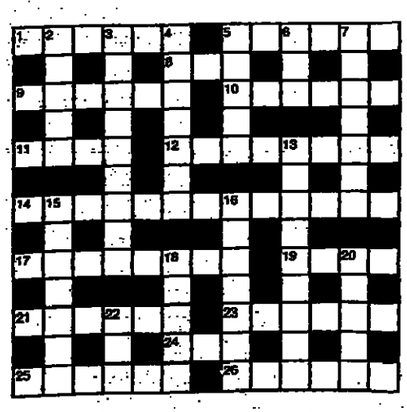

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17 Cast off (8)
19 Yearn (4)
21 Disgrace (6)
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24 Also (3)
25 Outranking suit (6)
26 Hair oil (6)

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3 Capable (9)
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My son, do not spurn the Lord's correction or recoil from his reproof; for those whom the Lord loves he reproves, and he punishes the son who is dear to him. Proverbs 3:12 REB

BIRTHS

BIRRELL - On September 13th, to Georgie (nee Breton) and Christopher, a daughter, a sister for Edward and Henry

CHAUHAN - On September 6th, to Subita and Anoop, a son, Rohan Pratap Singh, first grandchild for Hari and Usha.

de FRAINE - On 20th September at 7.30pm to Jane (nee Minchin) and Colin, a son James Stiles Hugos, grandson to David and Maureen, and nephew to David

LEGH - On September 19th, 1991, to Jane and David, a daughter, Kate, a sister for Charlotte, Hugo and Tom.

MACMANUS - On September 18th, at the West London Hospital, to Amanda (nee Marshall) and James, a wonderful daughter, Elizabeth Scott, a halfsister for Emily

MASSER - On September 14th 1991 at St. Thomas's Hospital SE1, to Tania (Raynsford) and Derek, a son James Alexander.

MATHEW - On August 23rd, to Isabelle (née Rumsey) and John, a daughter, Nicola Joanne, a sister for Georgina.

SIMS - At The Awali Hospital Bahrain, to Caroline and Murray, a daughter Venetia Amanda, a sister for Alexander.

SUTHERLAND - On September 11th in Guildford, to Judith (nee Harrap) and Guy, a daughter Phoebe Kate.

DEATHS

ARROWSMITH - On September 14th 1991, the Reverend Frederick John, aged 82, suddenly in the midst of his work. Vicar of St Barnabas' and St Agnes, Hove. Formerly Priest-in-charge of St Paul's, Covent Garden, and area Dean of Westminster. Funeral Eucharist at St Barnabas' Church, Sackville Road, Hove, on Friday September 27th at 2.15 pm. No flowers, donations for St Barnabas' and St Agnes or Holy Cross Trust may be sent to Bungard & Sons Ltd., 90 Sackville Road, Hove

BROOKES - On September 18th 1991, peacefully at home, Joan Elizabeth, aged 73 years, of Croydon. Beloved mother of Peter. Funeral Service at Beckenham Crematorium on Wednesday September 25th at 12 noon. By request, family flowers only, but donations if desired to The British Heart Foundation, c/o J & R Killick Ltd., 112 High Street, West Wickham, Kent.

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JONES - On September 21st, in Hospital, Kenneth Arthur, late partner of Stey Hayward, beloved husband of Evelyn. Funeral service at Amersham Crematorium on Friday September 27th at 1pm. Family flowers only please.

LINDSELL On September 21st, Barbara (nee Chalk) aged 94. Much loved mother of June and Bill. Devoted grandmother of Emma, Michael, Deborah, Celia and Sophie, and a dear great grandmother. Cremation Bournemouth on Thursday September 26th at 12.45 pm. No flowers please.

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Institutions are at last heeding an important message from their clients: they should pay more attention to quality. Michel Syrett reports

Although business schools have enjoyed an unprecedented demand for their services, they often lag behind their customers in practising what they preach. Not until the late 1980s did it dawn on many of them that the organisations they advised were more international in outlook and culture than they were. Now they are worried that business education is failing to keep up in terms of product quality and customer service.

Tom Cannon, the director of the Manchester Business School, says: "At the prices we charge, companies are entitled to standards of presentation and facilities that, at the very least, match those of independent consultancies and tuition which is not wedded to old-fashioned concepts of university learning."

Mr Cannon's remarks come in the wake of a new drive for better quality started this month by the European Foundation for Management Development (EFMD). The campaign is spearheaded by George Bain, the principal of the London Business School, and the EFMD's executive vice-president. In January, deans and directors from Europe's top schools will gather at Insead, the international business school at Fontainebleau near Paris, to draw up better consumer guidelines to help companies to judge the standards of service they receive, with particular reference to the extent that they meet customers' needs.

Athough most EFMD members endorse the foundation's new aims, there is concern that the campaign should not end in imposing over-rigid standards of common practice.

Juan Rada, the director-general of the International Institute for Management Development in Lausanne, Switzerland, says: "A real benefit of Europe's business schools is their diversity." In other other parts of the world, management education has been standardised, which has,

Virtue in diversity: Juan Rada, of the International Institute for Management Development

he says, led to a stifling of new approaches.

Mr Rada's comments apply particularly in Britain. Worries about quality have been fuelled by the move by universities seeking to cash in on the demand for business training by upgrading their departments of management to full-blown schools.

Yet many of the newer establishments have gone further in trying to meet the demands of industry than some of their better counterparts. City University Business School has experimented successfully with consortium qualifications that give companies a greater say in how programmes are developed. The school's consortium MBA programme now involves 41 organisations, including American Express, Sainsbury's, Rover and Norwich Union. Southampton University's management school has explored new forms of self-managed learning in its diploma and masters' programmes.

Hugh Murray, the director of the City University Business School, argues that the American model of postgraduate management education is in danger of becoming outmoded. He says: "Business schools should integrate themselves into the daily working of companies so they become an essential part of management development structures."

This approach may be misplaced unless management education institutions recognise that companies want targeted programmes for middle managers and senior executives, rather than increase the number of MBAs.

A survey of the British market for MBA graduates published this year by MBASE, a database for undergraduates and management trainees, produces disturbing findings. The survey finds an imbalance between the number of MBAs awarded each year and the number of jobs available.

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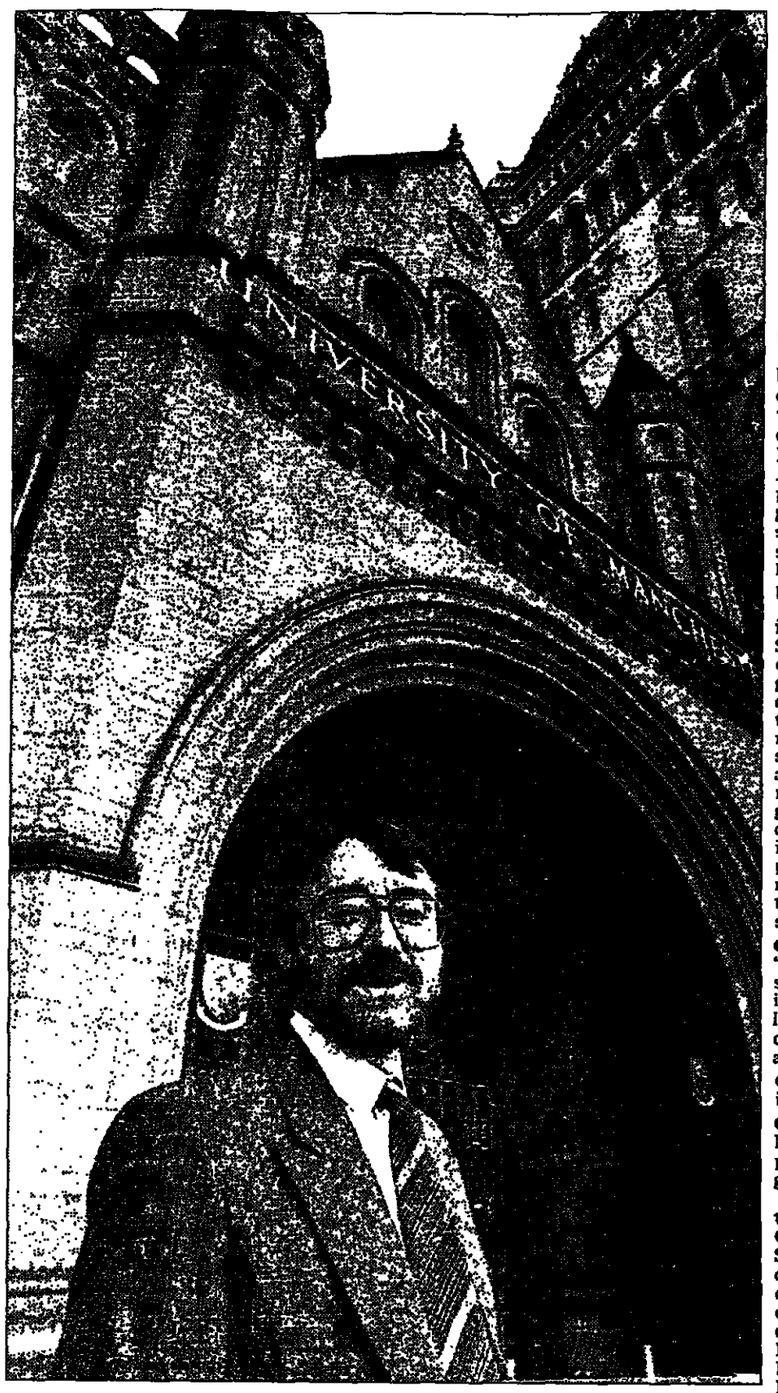

'Companies are entitled to standards of presentation that match those of the independent consultancies'

TOM CANNON, DIRECTOR, MANCHESTER BUSINESS SCHOOL

MBA courses get new look for a changing world

Europe is following America's lead to plan more on-job training for managers

One of the greatest shake-ups in MBA courses in years is being caused by growing concerns about their relevance. A survey of British companies for the Economist Intelligence Unit's *Which MBA?* guide showed that 35 per cent think MBA programmes are wrongly designed. Many respondents said there was a problem of linking academic theory with practical learning.

As a result business schools in Europe and the United States are fundamentally redesigning their MBA programmes. In the US, the change has been triggered by the decline of MBA recruitment by the financial services sector since the 1987 crash and the need to develop other markets; the growth of the global market; and the increasing demand for more internationally minded European MBA programmes. The re-think in the US is based on the three essentials of a successful MBA programme:

- A greater emphasis on "softer" management issues such as leadership, ethics and interpersonal skills, and slightly less on "quantitative" disciplines such as accounting and statistics.
- An increased stress on internationalism.
- An acknowledgement that MBA programmes should be practical and designed to integrate management functions.

This re-thinking is also taking place in Europe. Cranfield Management School in Bedfordshire considers presentation skills, leadership skills and outdoor development exercises compulsory in the full-time MBA programme. Ashridge Management College near Berkhamsted in Hertfordshire has always emphasised implementation more than theory.

At the International Institute for Management Development in Lausanne, Switzerland, Francis Bidault, the MBA programme director, explains: "We are introducing new issues. One is the idea of the path-finding role of the manager."

Well publicised changes to MBA programmes are taking place at the London Business School and two leading American schools, Wharton and Columbia. The Wharton MBA has been one of the most sought-after in the US. The school is to spend an estimated $2 million to introduce its "MBA for the 21st century".

This year, 130 randomly chosen volunteer students will take the new curriculum. The courses include geopolitics, innovation and entrepreneurship and quality management. There will be greater emphasis on integration of management functions.

Students will travel to Europe and Japan, and there will be leadership, ethics and interpersonal skills sessions. The programme includes a four-week pre-entry exercise in technical skills and the humanities.

The new programme was developed after consultations with business leaders, corporate recruiters, students, alumni and the faculty.

The new London Business School MBA is intended to show how management issues and problems are integrated. The programme starts with a broad introduction to what a manager does, narrowing to consider the function of the specialist in an organisation, and broadening again to look at how functional skills can be integrated to solve management problems.

The school also plans team teaching of integrative cases, foreign travel and visits to businesses and factories. Internationalism will be stressed and the emphasis on languages increased.

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● *The author is the editor of* Which MBA?, *published by the Economist Intelligence Unit*

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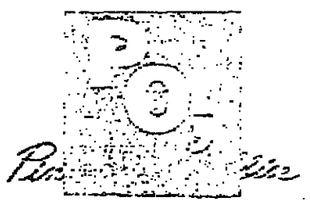

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Hang-gliding for power people

Helping executives to sail through their working days is harder than it sounds. Clare Hogg looks at a new field of expertise

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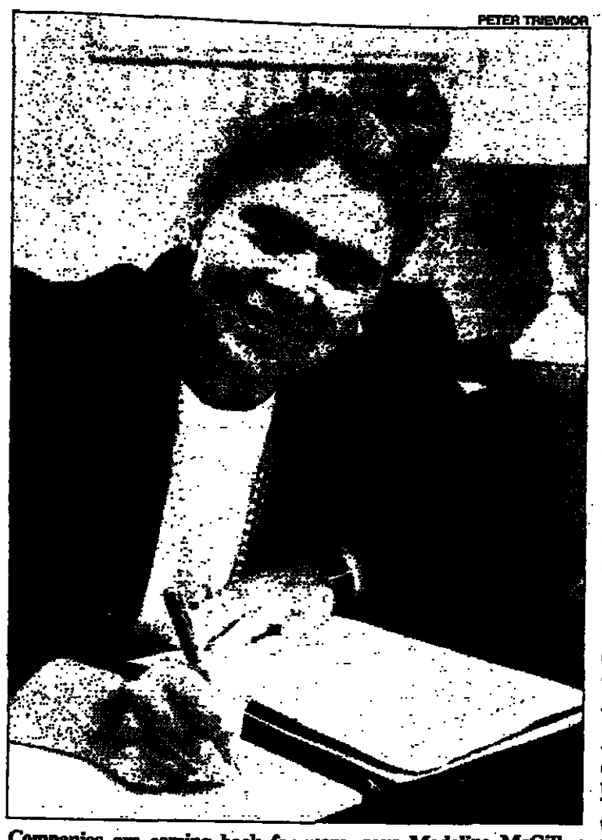

Companies are coming back for more, says Madeline McGill, a psychologist who works for Personal Development Consultants

Until recently conventional training of people at the top of an organisation — what is known as "development", or the improvement of an executive's skills — has been something of a no-man's land. There has been the assumption that people at such rarefied levels do not need development.

Peter Grey, the managing director of Personal Development Consultants (PDC), explains: "A sort of macho feeling prevails, the idea that 'we got here the hard way, we shouldn't need help'. And in the financial sector there is the view that you are either good at making deals or you are not."

PDC is a specially formed independent subsidiary of Pauline Hyde & Associates, an outplacement firm. Outplacement is a service used by companies to help employees who have been made redundant to find another job.

"The highest quality levels of outplacement involve some personal development work," Mr Grey says. "Why save it for people who are leaving the organisation?"

Madeline McGill, a psychologist working for PDC, says the most encouraging factor is the proportion of repeat business coming in. The normal pattern, she says, is the chief executive or the human resource director trying out the idea. Mr Grey adds: "It is the failure of relationships that leads to failure in top jobs." He cites the case of a promising young manager who was good at negotiating new projects "but had a lurid enjoyment of his power to threaten people, and the process of intimidation, leaving a trail of havoc at the top of the organisation".

Mr Grey says the coaching "concerned looking at what was going on and the implications for his career". He says: "We taught him how to count to ten before he spoke and to handle power more constructively."

Miss McGill says PDC has been able to avert some bad moves. "We had one client who was in strategic consulting," she recalls. "He wanted to leave and set up his own business. He was good at seeing a way ahead but hopeless at organising and implementing. Two-thirds of the way through a programme he was able to confront himself and his limitations. He decided then that the reality of his ambition was too daunting."

In general, such coaching is said to work well because the consultants are careful not to put people on the defensive. They are "completely on the side of the individual being coached" and the whole process is confidential. Peter Needham, the managing director of Gardner-Hill Needham Executive Management (GHN), which also offers executive coaching, echoes the importance of these supportive conditions. About half of GHN's turnover comes from outplacement and the rest is "helping individuals to do better what they do".

Mr Needham always impresses on employers that the executives they send "belong" to him for that period. He likes the person to feel that he or she is coming to a "safe" house. Like PDC, GHN gets its fair share of aggressive managers in their thirties.

"We need to teach them how to stop kicking people in the shins without losing their cutting edge," he says.

Originally GHN was sent a lot of people with problems, but now, Mr Needham says, many clients ask questions such as: "We have a young man who is a brilliant accountant — can you make him into a finance director?"

Whatever the initial motivation, Mr Needham says most people finish the training putting a higher value on themselves. Mr Grey puts it more prosaically: "It is like hang-gliding," he says. "You are confident of a good outcome, but you do not know where you are likely to land. The outcome should never be prejudged."

THIRST FOR KNOWLEDGE IN THE EAST OUTSTRIPS SUPPLY

AS Eastern Europe emerges into the harsh light of a free market economy, demand for training in basic management skills is outstripping supply *(Michel Syrett writes)*.

Yet many schools are rushing headlong into offering Masters of Business Administration degrees rather than offering diploma and certificate courses, often purely because it brings prestige to the establishment.

Ray Wild, the principal of Henley Management College, says: "What we are seeing is an exaggerated version of some of the problems we used to face in the West, where courses were run for the benefit of the faculty rather than the needs of the market."

Henley helps to run a diploma and certificate course for managers in Yugoslavia in conjunction with the Zagreb Business School in Croatia.

Sheer numbers is the biggest problem faced by many of the new schools. Even if they offer the right level of management education, they often lack the resources to cope with the scale of the local demand.

The Open Business School at Milton Keynes, Bedfordshire, is currently working with the new City University of Bratislava. Many of the 40 students who took the Open's "The Effective Manager" course have since moved into influential jobs in local chambers of commerce and international institutes. A further 200 students will take the course from this month.

David Chambers, director of London Business School's Soviet and Central European programmes, argues that providing basic management skills is the easy part. More difficult is breaking down organisational barriers that prevent managers from working effectively with each other.

Breaking through the glass ceiling

Attitudes towards women are changing but there are still few in senior jobs

Slowly, like a mighty river altering course, British companies are changing their attitudes to women.

Valerie Hammond, the director of management research at Ashridge Management College, believes that at last the glass ceiling, the invisible barrier often formed by outdated prejudice, is collapsing, to the benefit of the whole of industry.

"The environment is encouraging women's development now in a way that has not been seen before," she says. "In a time when people are the key competitive resource, employers see plainly that to give women training but then not to ensure they reach their potential is both costly and wasteful."

Ashridge runs business leadership courses for women. The number of women attending its executive programmes has increased fivefold since 1980. In some cases, the college offers 50 per cent bursaries to encourage employers further to develop women employees. Although everybody agrees old attitudes must be eradicated, even women differ about what approach should be taken.

When asked what makes a woman a successful manager, Juliana Schwager-Jebbink replies wryly: "In former days she had to look like a girl, think like a man and work like a horse."

In truth, she believes that quotas, positive discrimination and equal-opportunity politics do not help female managers. "She must manage her own life," she says.

Contrast her views with those of Ellen Schneider-Lenné, a director of the Deutsche Bank, in Frankfurt, who is convinced there are many reasons why women do not become senior executives.

She says there is a prejudice against women in society, which must be combated by creating an atmosphere in which such discrimination becomes impossible.

"Women are very often forced to renounce marriage or children in order to succeed in a business career. Many are not prepared to do that," she says. "Women have to make painful choices no man would ever have to face."

Both women are governors of the Henley Management College, which is holding a two-day conference on management education and development for women next month.

The conference, to be opened by Lady Howe, comes against the background of official figures that suggest the recession is causing companies to shed more women than men. Prominent speakers at the two-day conference at the college, where one-third of the faculty are women, will try to decide whether women need special help to combat old-style prejudices as they strive to climb the management ladder.

In one working paper to be presented to the conference, Anna Ford, the BBC presenter and newsreader, says: "In management, women often have a clear idea of how a team can work together and who will provide the skills . . . So why are not more of them in management?"

In spite of assertions to the contrary from the Institute of Directors and the Confederation of British Industry (CBI), all leading business schools believe the "glass ceiling" does exist. They are particularly concerned that, although the number of women taking MBA courses is encouraging, far too few are being put forward for executive courses leading to senior jobs.

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Camden Parkway (071-267 7034) Panton Street (071-930 0631)

◆ LIFE STINKS (12): Mel Brooks among Los Angeles derelicts, uncertain episodic comedy with amusing flashes. With Lesley Ann Warren
Odeon Haymarket (071-839 7697)

STEPPING OUT (PG): Lewis Gilbert's warm spirited version of Richard Harris's play about would-be hoofers, with Julie Walters, Shelley Winters and a Liza Minnelli star turn
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CINEMA GUIDE

Geoff Brown's assessment of films in London and (where indicated with the symbol ◆) on release across the country.

CURRENT

◆ CLOSE MY EYES (18): Sexual games between brother and sister one long hot London summer, vividly portrayed by writer-director Stephen Poliakoff and an excellent cast (Saskia Reeves, Clive Owen, Alan Rickman)
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◆ ONLY THE LONELY (12): John Candy as a bachelor cop finding love and trying to escape his mother's apron strings. Likeable romantic comedy from *Home Alone* director Chris Columbus, with Maureen O'Hara
Cannon Shaftesbury Avenue (071-836 8861) Odeon Kensington (0426 914666) Whiteleys (071-792 3324)

◆ PROSPERO'S BOOKS (15): Peter Greenaway's variation on *The Tempest*, with John Gielgud's Prospero stalking Shakespeare's text through a jungle of eye-popping images. Brilliant but exhausting
Gate (071-727 4043) Lumière (071-836 0691) Screen on the Hill (071-435 3366)

◆ REGARDING HENRY (12): Master of the Universe turns nice guy after suffering brain damage in a robbery. Skilful blend of the poignant and humorous from director Mike Nichols. Starring Harrison Ford, Annette Bening
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◆ TERMINATOR 2: JUDGMENT DAY (15): Good robot Arnold Schwarzenegger battles bad robot Robert Patrick. A fine showpiece for special effects, but the humans get short shrift. Director James Cameron, with Linda Hamilton
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TRULY, MADLY, DEEPLY (PG): Grieving Juliet Stevenson wills her late boyfriend (Alan Rickman) back to life. Endearingly humane drama, a directing debut for playwright Anthony Minghella
Curzon Phoenix (071-240 9661) Notting Hill Coronet (071-727 6705) Odeon Kensington (0426 914666) Mezzanine (071-930 6111) Screen on Baker Street (071-935 2772)

WEEKEND (18): Godard's famous 1967 assault on capitalist society, full of snarled traffic, savage humour and revolutionary harangues. Exhilarating, then maddening
Renoir (071-837 8402)

THEATRE GUIDE

Jeremy Kingston's assessment of current theatre in London
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◪ BLACK SNOW: Robin Bailey a sublimely funny Stanislavsky figure in Bulgakov's tart Moscow comedy
National (Cottesloe), South Bank, SE1 (071-928 2252) Tonight-Wed, 7.30pm, mat tomorrow, 2.30pm 145mins

□ BOLD GIRLS: Imelda Staunton and a fine company in Rona Munro's perceptive look at women's lives in west Belfast
Hampstead, Swiss Cottage Centre, NW3 (071-722 9301) Mon-Sat, 8pm, mat Sat, 4pm 100mins.

□ BRAND: Roy Marsden in dour Ibsen drama set in a dark fiord
Aldwych, Aldwych, WC2 (071-836 6404) Mon-Sat, 7.45pm, mats Wed, Sat, 3pm 180mins

□ CARMEN JONES: Classy production of the Hammerstein/Bizet all-black musical, packed with pizzazz
Old Vic, Waterloo Road, SE1 (071-928 7616) Mon-Sat, 7.45pm, mats Wed, Sat, 3pm 165mins

□ DANCING AT LUGHNASA: New cast takes over in Brian Friel's Olivier memory-play set in 1930s Donegal
Phoenix, Charing Cross Road, WC2 (071-867 1044) Mon-Sat, 8pm, mats Thurs, 3pm, Sat, 4pm 150mins

□ DON'T DRESS FOR DINNER: Simon Cadell in average, French-boulevard farce
Apollo, Shaftesbury Avenue, W1 (071-494 5070) Mon-Fri, 8pm, Sat, 8.30pm, mats Wed, 3pm, Sat, 5pm 135mins

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Playhouse, Northumberland Avenue, London WC2 (071-839 4401) Mon-Sat, 7.45pm, mats Wed, Sat, 3pm 210mins

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□ HIPPOLYTOS: Muted Janet Suzman in otherwise vivid Euripides puzzle-play about sexual desire
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■ JOSEPH AND THE AMAZING TECHNICOLOR DREAMCOAT: Jason Donovan sports a golden wig for this gaudy, brash revival
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□ THE KNICKERS: Carl Sternheim's deliriously funny comedy on sex and snobbery, well staged
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□ OUR TOWN: Under-powered production of Thornton Wilder's play on small-town America
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□ THE PHILANTHROPIST: Captivating performance by Edward Fox in Christopher Hampton's comedy
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□ TANGO AT THE END OF WINTER: Alan Rickman troubled by memories in decorative but hollow Ninagawa drama
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THE GLORY OF THE GARDEN: Jill Gascoigne, best known for her portrayal of Detective Inspector Maggie Forbes in the television drama *Gentle Touch*, stars in a new production of Stephen Mallatratt's play. *The Glory of the Garden* As the title implies, with its witty allusion to the Rees-Mogg report, the subject is regional arts funding. *The Woman in Black* team of director Robin Herford and designer Michael Holt is behind the production. Previews begin tonight, with the official opening on October 9.
Duke of York's Theatre, St Martin's Lane, W1 (071-836 5122), 8pm

DIE WALKURE: The second instalment of the Royal Opera's complete *Ring* cycle brings together John Tomlinson and James Morris, arguably the two finest Wagnerian basses. Götz Friedrich's "time-tunnel" production does not work half as well (literally) as when it was first seen on Berlin's huge stage, but in the pit Bernard Haitink conducts a musical interpretation of matchless profundity. Part 3, *Siegfried*, will open on September 30
Royal Opera House, Covent Garden, London WC2 (071-240 1066/1911), 5.30pm

AMADEUS: Richard McCabe portrays Mozart in Compass Theatre's revival of Peter Shaffer's award-winning play, about the 18th century rivalry between Mozart and Salieri. Tim Pigott-Smith plays Salieri, alongside celebrated actress and singer Toyah Willcox as Mozart's suffering wife, Constanze. The production will tour extensively until the end of November. Next stop: Opera House, Belfast
Theatre Royal, Theatre Square, Nottingham (0602 482626), 7.30pm.

TURNER'S RIVERS OF EUROPE: A new show dedicated to Turner's tours of the Middle Rhine and the German rivers Meuse and Mosel. The exhibition includes several early examples (1817) of his famous series of Rhine watercolours, and an important collection of small gouaches on blue paper depicting the Meuse and Mosel, completed in the 1830s. More than 80 brilliantly coloured works have been dated and placed in sequence
Tate Gallery, Millbank, London SW1 (071-821 7128) Mon-Sat, 10am-5pm, Sun 2.5.50pm, until January 1992

MOSCOW CITY BALLET: The five-year-old company arrives in Birmingham for a week of performances following its successful run at Sadler's Wells. This company, one of a number of independent dance troupes which have sprung up in the Soviet Union in recent years, offers a programme of three full-length ballets: *Swan Lake*, *Sleeping Beauty* (tonight) and *Giselle*. Soloists include Bolshoi ballerina Ludmila Semenyaka, former Kirov star Galina Mezentseva and Svetlana Kuznetsova, under the direction of veteran choreographer Victor Smirnov-Golovanov
Alhambra Theatre, Morley Street, Bradford (0274 752000), 7.30pm

TODAY'S EVENTS

JAPAN FESTIVAL

SADAO WATANABE: Better known in the United States alto saxophonist Sadao Watanabe has been long established as one of Japan's leading jazz musicians. His performances at Ronnie Scott's mark his British debut.
Ronnie Scott's, 47 Frith Street, London W1 (071-439 0747), 9pm

KAMAKURA: Subtitled The Renaissance of Japanese Sculpture 1185-1333, the British Museum's festival contribution is a display of wooden sculptures produced by several schools during the Kamakura period when a revival in Japanese religion and the arts occurred. Many works have never before been exhibited in Britain, including those of Unkei, said to be the "Michelangelo of Japan"
British Museum, Great Russell Street, London WC1 (071323 8525/8533/8987) Mon Sat, 10am-5pm, Sun, 2.30-6pm, until November 24

ROBOTICS JAPAN: A state-of-the-art show with the latest industrial robots flown over from Japan. More than 20 examples demonstrate a variety of complex tasks including precision welding using carbon dioxide lasers, differentiating between colours and carrying out domestic chores
Science Museum, Exhibition Road London SW7 (071-413 3300) Mon-Sat, 10am-6pm, Sun 11am-6pm, until October 31

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JULIAN HERBERT

Speechless: but an exhausted Francis Rossi still produced a long guitar solo

ROCK

Status Quo
Wembley Arena

THIS year has seen pop celebrating (if that is the appropriate word) Status Quo's 25th anniversary. The culmination of 12 months of commemorative events took place on Saturday, with the group's self-billed "most lunatic stunt ever". That term might arguably apply to the decision to start a group in the first place, in light of its legendary refusal to progress beyond O-level barroom stomp. However, it referred to the plan to play four different cities on the same day. The undertaking, entitled Rock 'Til You Drop, aimed to raise money for charity and to secure Status Quo a place in *The Guinness Book of Records*.

Militarily precise planning smoothly dispatched shows in Sheffield, Glasgow and Birmingham. Indeed, things ran so smoothly that the band's helicopter arrived in London ahead of schedule. This necessitated taking off and landing again so that the media could grab its "photo opportunity".

Backstage at Wembley, Status Quo gamely withstood the last press conference of the day. Francis Rossi, the group's usually ebullient leader, was speechless with exhaustion. Was four gigs in eight hours too much rocking, even for the Quo? Their very denims exuded a longing for cocoa and bed.

At this point, proceedings must for them have assumed a phantasmagoric quality. But on stage, group batteries seemed to recharge for the final stretch. The Quo kicked off with "Whatever You Want" (a hit only distinguishable from its quarter-century of fellows by its title), which set the tone for the rest of the set. Rather than rushing through the song, as must have been the temptation, the band elongated it to mini-jam proportions. The group hit their stride by "Roll Over, Lay Down", moving Rossi to produce a lengthy guitar solo. Weariness manifested itself only in the vocal flatness evident in some of the ballady passages.

This stamina was impressive in its way. But what was the point? From a musical perspective the show was dreary, even for the Quo, the sound tinny and the ambience drab. Of course, the music is incidental to the group's vast and mystifying popularity, the force of which only an anthropologist could define. *Guinness* dream realised, what will Status Quo do for their 30th anniversary?

CAROLINE SULLIVAN

CONCERTS

RPO/Previn
Festival Hall

ALMOST all that would favour a pianist conducting from the keyboard is that it might save on a soloist's fee for the orchestra concerned. André Previn did nothing to disprove this in the first of two concerts that began the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra's new season, when he subjected Mozart's C minor Concerto, K491, to his dual attentions.

In this work particularly, with its darkly expressive writing in the outer movements and the limpid contrast of the slow central movement, there is enough musically to demand a pianist's entire concentration on the keyboard. By switching his attention constantly from one element to the other, Previn militated against sufficient strength of conviction for either, and the result was frequently flabby and flaccid when it should have been eloquent and pointed.

Previn sandwiched the concerto between two symphonies, Haydn's in D major (No 96) and Beethoven's Seventh. The Haydn benefited from a compact ensemble with strings founded on just three double basses, and from some fine woodwind contributions by the first oboe (notably in the trio section of the minuet, with beguiling hesitations in the rhythm). For Beethoven, the conductor favoured a slightly unorthodox seating of the violas to his right and outside the cellos, thereby separating the latter too far from the basses for optimum balance. If there was any apotheosis here, it was less that of the dance that Wagner heard than of the jog trot, at least until the final movement which roused itself into a reasonable canter.

Few conductors seem to take such pains to point out the obvious either to the orchestra or the audience, often to both. During Brahms's Fourth Symphony in the orchestra's second programme on Saturday, Previn's schoolmasterly stick technique was much in evidence — the lunge with the baton as if spotting a culprit, the minatory forefinger and the shaking fist. What this all achieved was not clear, since the performance mostly sounded as if the conductor was going along with what the orchestra knew it had to do. The symphony travelled its musically ordained course without generating a flicker of concern for the wealth of character, the rhythm, harmony and shading beneath the surface of the notes.

This followed a chivalrous account of *Don Quixote* in what Richard Strauss described as "fantastic variations", with Mats Lidström and Andrew Williams, the orchestra's principal cellist and viola respectively, giving musical personalities of solo distinction to the knight and his squire. Lidström, in particular, brought eloquent poetry to the romantic Dulcinea music, while Williams added agreeable humour.

A pity that more attention was not paid elsewhere in the orchestra to balancing the intricate instrumental detail of Strauss's narrative, working it into a compelling symphonic whole instead of simply taking each adventure as it came.

NOEL GOODWIN

THEATRE

Miss Chester
Players', Charing Cross

THIS feeble entertainment is the first melodrama staged by the Players' Theatre since its move back beneath the Charing Cross viaduct of the London, Chatham and Dover Railway. Directed by the 18-year-old Reginald Woolley, who must have notched up well past that number of productions in his time, the denouements of the second and third acts are presumably the attraction for lovers of the genre. But the route to these modest peaks lies through the wasteland of the first act, where dialogue, direction and performances, some of which do not improve, are uninspired.

The setting is Castle Montressor, where the dowager Countess toys with a cup of tea against a wrinkled blue sky. Painted flats are an essential of melodrama, and aficionados may well recognise individual settings as old friends. The Countess is over-partial to her drippy elder son, dismissing Rupert, his brother, as "too wild and fitful for the married life". And if the fondness showed for him by Fortescue, his older male friend, looks iffy to us modern know-alls, there will doubtless be some genealogical explanation.

Seemingly absent from the cast list is Gertrude, the late earl's sister who was married to a man whose first wife turned out to be still alive — or so it was supposed. Branded a woman of shame, and clutching to her bosom her b*st*rd baby boy, she vanishes. Twenty-one years have passed, and it is Rupert's 21st birthday. Isabel and Miss Chester, her companion, regard the handsome youth fondly, but what will become of him when he learns about his *il*g*t*m*t* birth? — "Don't touch me! Remember who I am!" Not until the action moves to Florence, where Rupert and Fortescue, temporarily estranged, fight a duel, is the dreadful truth brought home to the survivor.

Alas, this 1872 play unfolds more amusingly in a résumé than on the boards. Only Ian Ratcliffe's Fortescue and James Bree's crusty solicitor find an appropriate acting style, and keep to it. Simon de Deney's Rupert gets close but the others wobble between the faint-hearted and the dull, though in truth the writing, by Florence Marryatt and Sir Charles Young Bart, provides few chances to shine.

Prim Cotton's Miss Chester confuses the plot by looking closer to Isabel's age than the dowager's. In the last act the performers suddenly realise they have arms and begin to wave them about. The whole business feels under-rehearsed and, worse still, under-imagined.

JEREMY KINGSTON

THEATRE

Noh Theatre
Queen Elizabeth Hall

ARTHUR Waley translated it, Yeats admired it, Pound went crazy about it. but what contemporary relevance can the Noh Theatre have in a Japan where more people look at *Twin Peaks* than Mount Fuji? Recent comment on these pages that the Noh is not much concerned with plot or even action, but rather with minute gradations of aesthetic effect, raised further apprehensions in your critic. But strangely, the result of these three Noh plays performed by the Umewaka Kennokai was to make such questions seem irrelevant. Somehow the Noh tradition has survived six or seven centuries apparently intact (a distant but possibly suggestive comparison might be the English cathedral choral tradition); it exists, maintained by remarkably trained performers, and is beautiful, alien, impressive and thought-provoking.

Perhaps the most revealing moment in this first programme of three plays came at the end. Makio Umewaka, the descendant of 13 generations of Noh actors (making Redgraves and Cusacks seem mere parvenus), stripped of mask and splendid robes, in simple black, came forward, unrolled his fan and raised his arm in a gesture more imperious than sycophantic. He performed a series of pirouetting movements backwards, then came forward again to face the audience. No emotion was apparent on his face, no response to the generous applause. This haughty dignity is presumably what attracted Yeats, who admired the indifference of the Renaissance princes "to what the onion-sellers thought or did".

Noh plays are courtly and ceremonial and make few concessions to the *hoi polloi*, though in the first of these a lowly gardener falls in love with a princess, dies of exhaustion and chagrin when she commands him to lift an impossibly heavy load, and comes back to haunt her. The plot is not what matters; one is struck instead by spectacle (the most ravishing costumes you will see until Ninagawa returns with another *Medea*) and stillness, by the sonorous declamatory delivery of all the actors, each word seeming to sob and swell with emotion, by the coyote-like howling of the chorus, by the astonishing slowness of the movement of an actor across the stage. I do not know if it is relevant, but the experience of the first two plays made me consider very carefully how many pieces of ice I should put in my tomato juice. It is a question of what is seemly.

HARRY EYRES

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WORD-WATCHING

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INTARSIA
(c) A type of marquetry used in Italy since Botticelli for the decoration of choir-stalls and panelling of rooms. It often has figurative subjects, or shows trompe-l'oeil effects.

SÉRAPHINE
(a) Séraphine Louis (1864-1934), a primitive, she produced marvellous imaginary flower and tree pictures, filled with colour and variety. Her painting was religious and erotic, eyes and lips hidden among the flowers of her bouquets.

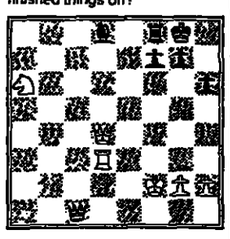
SALOMÓNICA
(c) A column of twisted barley-sugar form, a kind supposed to have been used in Solomon's Temple in Jerusalem. An ancient Roman example exists in St Peter's. Such columns were much used in Spanish and Portugese baroque architecture.

GINNER
(c) Charles (1817-97), French-born British painter. A founder member of the Camden Town Group, he defined its style as Neo-realism, and admired Van Gogh and the other Post-impressionists.

WINNING MOVE

By Raymond Keene, Chess Correspondent

This position is from the game Buckley — McLaren, British Championship, Eastbourne 1991. Can you see how black finished things off?



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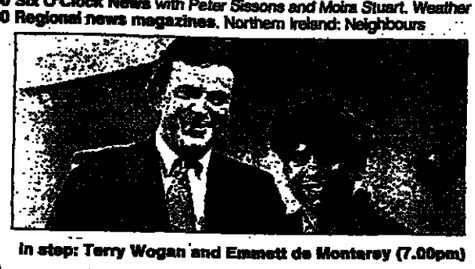
6.00 Ceefax 6.30 BBC Breakfast News
9.00 Perfect Strangers. American comedy series **9.30 Countrymen.** The first of a series in which Lake District people tell their life stories, begining with Hartsop farmer Alan Wear who waxes lyrical about the solitude and beauty of the high fells but bemoans the bureaucracy of the planners (r)
10.00 News, regional news and weather **10.05 Playdays 10.25 Bump.** Cartoon series about a clumsy elephant, narrated by Simon Cadell (r) **10.35 Major Dad.** American comedy series about the life and loves of an officer in the marines (r)
11.00 News, regional news and weather **11.05 High Chaparral.** Classic western series (r) **11.55 Reviving Antiques.** John FitzMaurice Mills with advice on caring for silver
12.00 News, regional news and weather **12.05 Inside the Soviet Circus.** A portrait of circus life in the Soviet Union **12.55** Regional news and weather
1.00 One O'Clock News and weather
1.30 Neighbours. (Ceefax) (s) **1.50 Four Squares.** A general knowledge knock out quiz. The questionmaster is John Sachs
2.15 Starsky and Hutch. Los Angeles police holum from the 1970s starring David Soul and Paul Michael Glaser. The lads come to the aid of a 12-year-old girl whose knowledge of the whereabouts of stolen diamonds has put her life at risk (r)
3.00 Pot Black introduced by Eamonn Holmes. Doug Mountjoy and Steve James playing for a place in the quarter-final of the one-frame competition. **3.25 The Hogan Family.** The third American comedy series of the day on this channel
3.50 Fireman Sam. Puppet series narrated by John Alderton (r) **4.00 The Chipmunks.** Cartoon (r) **4.25 Pigsty.** Musical fun at the pigs' diner **4.35 Teenage Mutant Hero Turtles.** (Ceefax)
5.00 Newsround. Juliet Morris and Krishnan Guru-Murthy report on the climax of the Japan Festival — the Matsuri, a spectacular open-air carnival held in London's Hyde Park **5.05 Blue Peter** presented by Yvette Fielding, John Leslie and Diane-Louise Jordan. (Ceefax)
5.35 Neighbours (r). (Ceefax) (s). Northern Ireland: Inside Ulster
6.00 Six O'Clock News with Peter Sissons and Moira Stuart. Weather
6.30 Regional news magazines. Northern Ireland: Neighbours



In step: Terry Wogan and Emmett de Monterey (7.00pm)

7.00 Wogan. Back from his hols Terry welcomes actress Cathy Tyson, who talks about her role as Eliza Doolittle in Shaw's *Pygmalion*, and Emmett de Monterey who has received a revolutionary new American treatment for cerebral palsy. He has also helped to raise funds for the One Small Step appeal. Music is provided by Everything But the Girl (s)
7.30 Jungle Spirits of Madagascar. The spirits are indris and the aye-aye, two species of lemur that live in the forests of the island of Madagascar — the only threat to their gentle existence being the destruction of their habitat (r). (Ceefax)
8.00 Telly Addicts. Noel Edmonds puts the Jones family and the Arberys through a test of television programme knowledge
8.30 Brush Strokes. A repeat showing of John Esmonde and Bob Larbey's tired comedy series starring Karl Howman as Jacko, the Romeo of Motspur Park. (Ceefax)
9.00 Nine O'Clock News with Michael Buerk. (Ceefax) Regional news and weather
9.30 Panorama: The Max Factor. Nisha Pillai investigates the business dealings of Robert Maxwell
10.10 Law and Order. The last in the watchable American police and courtroom drama series. Detectives Greevy and Logan investigate the lack of evidence that causes Ben Stone to lose a case against corrupt bankers. Their searches suggest that their chief, Captain Cragen, might be responsible for the erasing of incriminating evidence from a computer disc. Starring George Dzundza and Michael Moriarty (s)
11.00 Film: The Black Marble (1980) Police drama with a romantic twist, adapted from the novel by Joseph Wambaugh. Paula Prentiss plays a keen young female detective sergeant who is teamed with an old-timer with a drink problem (Robert Foxworth) to investigate a dog trainer responsible for the theft of a valuable show dog. Crisply written and strongly acted, with an excellent cast that also includes Harry Dean Stanton. Directed by Harold Becker **12.45am Weather**

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BBC 2

6.00 News 6.15 Travel Show UK Mini Guides. Northern Ireland's Giant's Causeway (r)
6.20 English Journey. The first of an eight-part series in which Beryl Bainbridge follows the trail of a similar journey undertaken by J.B. Priestley in the 1930s. Today she visits Southampton, Bristol and Salisbury (r)
9.00 Daytime on Two. Educational programmes
2.00 News and weather followed by **Storytime** (r) **2.15 Songs of Praise** from Jersey's Mont Orgueil Castle (r). (Ceefax) (s) **2.50 Holiday Outings.** Eamonn Holmes enjoys a family fishing holiday at the Angler's Paradise centre at Halwill Junction in Devon
3.00 News and weather followed by **Wild World: The Year of the Green Centre.** A documentary about how Australia's wettest year on record turned the driest area of the continent green (r) **3.50 News,** regional news and weather
4.00 Village People. A film looking at the changes taking place in rural England and how they have affected the people of Scrayingham in north Yorkshire
4.30 Oh Sweet Mystery of Rock, Where Are You Hiding? Ray Gosling joins ageing Teddy Boys and rockabillies in a pilgrimage to a Somerset holiday camp to pay homage to Bill Hayley and the Comets (r)
5.00 Film: Ruthless (1948, b/w)
● CHOICE: Edgar G. Ulmer is not a name that used to figure much in the cinema textbooks. Born in Vienna, he reached Hollywood in 1930 and spent most of his career making the best of banal material and tiny budgets. Then late in life he was discovered by critics in France and became, no doubt much to his surprise, a cult figure. Ulmer the studio hack had been elevated to Ulmer the *auteur*. *Ruthless* was untypical of his output in that it actually boasted star names; with Zachary Scott in the lead, Sidney Greenstreet in support and a small part for Raymond Burr. Told, like many a Hollywood melodrama of the 1940s, in flashback, it is the story of a tycoon (Scott) who has risen ruthlessly to the top and now has a last chance to redeem himself and start a new life. In another favourite device of the time Diana Lynn plays both the women in Scott's life and Ulmer adds his stylish pictorial gloss
6.40 DEF II begin with **James.** Highlights of the northern indie pop band in concert at Manchester's G-Mex Centre **7.10 Standing Room Only.** Simon O'Brien presents the second in the series of football magazines. The programme includes the former England player Danny Thomas, invalided out of the game in the 1980s, on his first week as a qualified NHS physiotherapist; and former PFA chairman Garth Crooks puts last season's FA Cup referee Roger Milford on the spot

A drop in the ocean: Immunisation against polio (7.40pm)

7.40 The Planned Miracle: Why Save the Children?
● CHOICE: In the late 1970s the World Health Organisation and Unicef decided on a bold project to eradicate by immunisation the diseases that kill most children in the developing world. This three-part series looks at how the project was carried through and the political wrangles that have followed. The first country to join the campaign was Turkey, where 4½ million jabs were given in three months. The latest is Yemen, a more difficult proposition with its scattered communities, lack of transport and shortage of refrigeration to keep the vaccine cold. All the same the target was achieved. But critics argue that short-term campaigns are one thing and sustaining the effort over a long period is quite another. They also question whether it is worth keeping alive babies who will only die later of starvation. Producer Gill Barnes offers a lucid and balanced guide through contentious territory
8.30 Film: This Child is Mine (1985). Efficiently made and unsentimental TV movie on the well-worn theme of a couple (Lindsay Wagner and Chris Sarandon) who adopt a baby girl and then have to cope with the trauma of the real mother (Nancy McKeon) changing her mind and wanting the child back. Directed by David Greene. (Ceefax)
10.00 Harry Enfield's Television Programme. A compilation of the comic characters created by Harry Enfield (r) (s)
10.30 Newsnight with Jeremy Paxman
11.15 The Late Show. Arts and media magazine **11.55 Weather**
12.00 Open University: The Melbury Road Set. Ends at **12.30am**

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ITV

6.00 TV-am
9.25 Runway. Quiz game with holiday prizes. The questionmaster is Richard Madeley (s) **9.55 Thames News** and weather
10.00 The Time . . . the Place . . . John Stapleton chairs a topical debate
10.40 This Morning. Magazine series on family matters presented by the husband and wife team of Richard Madeley and Judy Finnigan. Includes national and international news at **10.55** and regional news at **11.55** followed by national weather
12.10 Rosie and Jim. Puppet series written and presented by John Cunliffe, author of *Postman Pat* (r)
12.30 News and weather **1.10 Thames News** and weather
1.20 Home and Away. (Oracle) **1.50 A Country Practice.** Medical drama serial set in the Australian outback (s)
2.20 Thames Help. Jackie Spreckley previews the week's series on obsessive compulsive disorder which affects some two per cent of Britain's population **2.50 The Absolute Beginner's Guide to Cookery.** In the last of the series actors Michael Elphick and Don Henderson prepare moules.
3.15 ITN News headlines **3.20 Thames News** headlines **3.25 Families.** Soap linking the north of England with Australia (s)
3.55 The Sooty Show. Matthew Corbett with the first of a new series featuring the glove puppet bear **4.15 Tiny Toon Adventures.** Steven Spielberg's cartoon adventure series **4.40 Cartoon** starring Tweety Pie and Sylvester (r) **4.50 How 2.** A new facts and fun show presented by Fred Dinenage, Carol Vorderman and Gareth Jones
5.10 Blockbusters. General knowledge game for teenagers. The questionmaster is Bob Holness
5.40 News with Carol Barnes. (Oracle) Weather
5.55 Thames Help. Jackie Spreckley with the first of the week's programmes on obsessive compulsive disorder and the treatment available to sufferers
6.00 Home and Away (r). (Oracle)
6.30 Thames News and weather
7.00 The Krypton Factor. The fourth of 13 heats in the brains and brawn competition, introduced by Gordon Burns. (Oracle) (s)
7.30 Coronation Street. (Oracle)

Game for a laugh: quizmaster Michael Barrymore (8.00pm)

8.00 Strike It Lucky. The first of a new series of the quiz show, hosted by Michael Barrymore (s)
8.30 World in Action. A new season begins with a health scandal concerning thousands of women who undergo painful reconstructive surgery on their breasts. After many women in the United States experienced severe reactions, stringent new safety measures were introduced. But in Britain implants continue to be aggressively marketed
9.00 Film: Agatha Christie's Murder With Mirrors (1985). A distinguished cast, headed by the 86-year-old Helen Hayes as Miss Marple, struggles to breathe life into a stodgily written TV movie set in a rehabilitation centre for delinquents. Three murders, and the presence of Bette Davis, John Mills, Leo McKern and Dorothy Tutin, should have ensured a more compelling entertainment. Directed by Dick Lowry. (Continues after the news) (Oracle)
10.00 News at Ten with Trevor McDonald and Julia Somerville. (Oracle) Weather **10.30 Thames News** and weather
10.40 Film: Agatha Christie's Murder With Mirrors continued
11.30 In the Heat of the Night. American police drama series set in the deep south
12.30am Sportsworld Extra. Coverage of the Scottish Provident city centre cycling league
1.30 Film: Fast and Loose (1939, b/w) starring Robert Montgomery and Rosalind Russell. Amiable comedy thriller about a husband and wife detective team investigating the theft of a valuable manuscript. Directed by Edwin L. Marin
3.00 American College Football. Louisiana State v Texas AM
4.00 Florence or Life in the Château. French drama series starring Annie Girardot
5.00 Along the Cotswold Way. Clive Gunnell travels from Tormarton to Horton
5.30 ITN Morning News. Ends at **6.00**

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CHANNEL 4

6.00 The Channel 4 Daily
9.25 Schools
12.00 Short Stories: The Virgin of Gortaneadin. How a shrine to the Virgin Mary, erected in memory of a dead daughter in a rural Ireland village, has attracted hordes of pilgrims, many of them claiming to have seen visions of the Virgin Mary (r)
12.30 Business Daily. Susannah Simons presents the 1,000th edition of the business news programme
1.00 Sesame Street. Entertaining pre-school learning series

Cricketer v poet: Jack Warner, left, Robert Morley, right (2.00pm)

2.00 Film: The Final Test (1953, b/w)
● CHOICE: One of many cinema collaborations between the playwright Terence Rattigan and director Anthony Asquith, *The Final Test* features Jack Warner as a cricketer playing his last innings for England. Real players, including Hutton, Compton, Laker and Evans, are employed to give an authentic flavour. But Warner, who was then pushing 60, hardly convinces as a top batsman and none of the Test stars suggests ability as an actor. The drama is more successful when it leaves the cricket ground to explore the conflict between Warner and his son. The lad prefers poetry to cricket and threatens to miss dad's final innings so that he can meet his literary idol (Robert Morley). This, rather than the simulated Test match, is at the heart of a modest, likeable and amusing piece which started as a television play and even in this opened-out version suits the small screen better than the big one
3.45 The Most Expensive Breakfast on Earth. A short film, based on fact, about a train driver's craving for breakfast which ends in disaster
4.00 Garden Club. Includes advice for those with a garden on a coastal site, growing seasonal vegetables and dealing with rampant rabbits (r). (Teletext)
4.30 Countdown. Another round of the words and numbers game presented by Richard Whiteley, with the assistance of Carol Vordermann and Martin Jarvis (s)
5.00 The Late Late Show. Topical chat show from Dublin, hosted by Gay Byrne
6.00 The Wonder Years. American comedy series about growing up in the late 1960s. This week Kevin's attempts at romance founder when the Valentine card intended for the girl of his dreams ends up in the locker of someone else (r)
6.30 The Henderson Kids. Australian drama series starring Kylie Minogue (r)
7.00 Channel 4 News and weather
7.50 Comment
8.00 Brookside. Topical suburban Merseyside soap. (Teletext) (s)
8.30 Inspector Morse: Last Bus to Woodstock. John Thaw as the detective with a passion for real ale, opera and vintage cars investigates the death of a young secretary in a pub car park. His inquiries lead to a local insurance office. With Kevin Whately as the put-upon Sgt Lewis (r)
10.30 E.N.G. Lively Canadian drama set behind the scenes of a television news station. Two new recruits find that their personal lives encroach upon their professional lives. Starring Sara Botsford and Theresa Tova
11.30 Vietnam Cinema: How to Behave (1985). Tran Van Thuy's documentary in which a group of Vietnamese film-makers assess their role in society. In Vietnamese with English subtitles
12.20am Falkneau. A documentary about the second world war concentration camp at Falkneau in Czechoslovakia. Material shot in 1945 by a US soldier, now better known as the Hollywood director Samuel Fuller, is contrasted with film of the camp today. Ends at **1.20**

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ITV VARIATIONS

ANGLIA
As London except: 2.20pm Gardens for All 2.50-3.15 Graham Kerr 6.25-7.00 Anglia News 11.30-12.30 Elvis Presley: One Night With You

BORDER
As London except: 1.50pm Who's The Boss? 2.20 Sons and Daughters 2.50-3.15 Graham Kerr 5.10-5.40 Home and Away 6.00 Lookaround Monday 6.30-7.00 Take the High Road 11.30 Crime Story 12.25 Alfred Hitchcock Presents 12.50 Wrestling 1.50 Stephen King's This Is Horror 2.20 Film: Demons of the Mind 4.00 America's Top Ten 4.25 The Hit Man and Her 5.20-5.30 Jobs

CENTRAL
As London except: 2.20pm Graham Kerr 2.45-3.15 Coming of Age 5.10-5.40 Gardening Time 6.35-7.00 Central News 11.30 Prisoner: Cell Block H 12.20 Film: The Vulture 2.25 Live on Stage Now 3.25 Entertainment UK 4.25-5.30 Jobs

GRANADA
As London except: 1.50-3.15 Film: Arrows of Robin Hood 5.10-5.40 My Secret Identity 6.30-7.00 Granada Tonight 11.30 Celebration 11.55 Prisoner: Cell Block H 12.50 Wrestling 1.50 Stephen King's This Is Horror 2.20 Film: Demons of the Mind 4.00 America's Top Ten 4.25 The Hit Man and Her 5.20-5.30 Jobs

HTV WEST
As London except: 1.50pm The Sullivans 2.20-2.50 Gardening Time 5.10-5.40 Home and Away 6.00 HTV West 6.35-7.00 What's On

HTV WALES
As HTV West except: 6.00pm Wales at Six 6.30-7.00 Primetime

SCOTTISH
As London except: 1.50pm Blockbusters 2.20-2.50 Jack Thompson Down Under 5.10-5.40 Home and Away 6.00 Scotland Today 6.30-7.00 Take the High Road 9.00-10.00 Survival Special: The Great Wood of Caledon 10.45 Sport in Question 11.45 Prisoner: Cell Block H 12.40 Film: A Man Could Get Killed 2.30 CinemAttractions 3.00 America's Top Ten 5.30 Music Special 4.30-5.30 The Silk Road

TSW
As London except: 2.20pm-2.50 The Young Doctors 3.23-3.55 Home and Away 5.10-5.40 Families 6.00-7.00 TSW Today 11.30 Prisoner: Cell Block H 12.25 Alfred Hitchcock Presents 12.50 Wrestling 1.50 Stephen King's This Is Horror 2.20 Film: Demons of the Mind 4.00 America's Top Ten 4.25 The Hit Man and Her 5.20-5.30 TSW Jobfinder

TVS
As London except: 2.15pm Coast to Coast People 2.45-3.15 Action 5.10-5.40 Home and Away 6.00 Coast to Coast 6.30-7.00 Country Ways 11.30-12.30 Island Son

TYNE TEES
As London except: 5.10pm-5.40 Home and Away 6.00 Northern Life 6.30-7.00 Blockbusters 12.25 Coach 12.50 Wrestling 1.50 Stephen King's This Is Horror 2.20 Film: Demons of the Mind 4.00 America's Top Ten 4.25 The Hit Man and Her 5.20-5.30 Jobfinder

ULSTER
As London except: 1.50pm Sons and Daughters 2.20-2.50 Don't Give Up Your Day Job 5.10-5.40 Home and Away 6.00 Six Tonight 6.30-7.00 Check It Out 9.00-10.0 Country In Concert 10.40 Iascair Ghaoth Dobhair 11.10 The Best Man 12.40 Pop Profile 12.50 Wrestling 1.50 Stephen King's This Is Horror 2.20 Film: Demons of the Mind 4.00 America's Top Ten 4.25 Night Beat 5.20-5.30 Jobfinder

YORKSHIRE
As London except: 2.00pm Film: Cloak Without Dagger 5.10-5.40 Home and Away 6.00 Calendar 6.30-7.00 Clegg's People 11.30 Prisoner: Cell Block H 12.25 Film: Breakdance 2 — Electric Boogaloo 2.10 Vietnam, the Ten Thousand Day War 2.40 America's Top Ten 4.25 The Hit Man and Her 5.20-5.30 Jobfinder

TRANSWORLD SPORT
Trans World Sport 3.40 Cue the Music 4.40-5.30 Jobfinder

S4C
Starts: 6.00pm C4 Daily 9.25 Schools 12.00 Family Pride 12.30 Newyddion 12.40 Slot Meithrin 1.00 Countdown 1.30 Business Daily 2.00 Film: The Final Test* 3.45 No Dry Run 3.55 Garden Club 4.25 Slot 23 5.00 The Munsters 5.30 Brookside 6.00 Newyddion 6.10 Heno 7.00 Pobol Y Cwm 7.30 Sgorio 8.30 Newyddion 8.55 Y Byd Ar Bedwar 9.30 Roseanne 10.00 The Savage Strikes Back 11.00 Lawyers 11.30 Vietnam Cinema: How to Behave 12.20 Falkneau 1.20 Diwedd

RTE 1
Starts: 1.00pm News 1.30 Understanding Adolescence 2.05 The Love Boat 3.00 Live at Three 4.00 News followed by We're Cooking Now 4.30 Carson's Law 5.15 Personal Appearances 5.30 A Country Practice 6.00 The Angelus 6.01 Six-One 7.00 Know Your Sport 7.30 The Pure Drop 8.05 Guns of Paradise 9.00 News 9.30 China Beach 10.20 Yesterday's Schools — Tomorrow's World 11.25 News 11.35 Close

NETWORK 2
Starts: 2.30pm Bosco 3.00 The Den 6.05 Emlyn's Moon 6.30 Home and Away 7.00 Nuacht 7.08 Cursai 7.30 Coronation Street 8.00 News followed by Baseball 9.00 Dear John 9.30 News followed by Film: Blood Vows 11.15 News 11.35 Close

SATELLITE

SKY ONE
● Via the Astra and Marcopolo satellites. 6.00am The DJ Kat Show 6.40 Mrs Pepperpot 8.55 Playabout 9.10 Cartoons 9.30 Mr Ed 10.00 The Lucy Show 10.30 The Young Doctors 11.00 The Bold and the Beautiful 11.30 The Young and the Restless 12.30pm Barnaby Jones 1.30 Another World 2.20 Santa Barbara 2.45 Wife of the Week 3.15 The Brady Bunch 3.45 The DJ Kat Show 5.00 Diff'rent Strokes 5.30 Bewitched 6.00 Family Ties 6.30 Sale of the Century 7.00 Love at First Sight 7.30 All 8.00 Murder in Texas: Concluding the two-part mini series 10.00 Love at First Sight 10.30 The Secret Video Show 11.00 Hill Street Blues 12.00 The Outer Limits 1.00am Pages from Skytext

SKY NEWS
● Via the Astra and Marcopolo satellites. News on the hour.
5.00am Sunrise 5.30 Beyond 2000 6.00 Sunrise 9.30 Dayline 10.30 Beyond 2000 11.00 International Business Report 11.30 Dayline 12.30am CBS News 2.30 Our World 3.30 Our World — The Countryside Show 4.30 Beyond 2000 5.00 Live at Five 6.30 Newsline 7.00 Sky World News Tonight 8.30 Beyond 2000 9.00 Sky World News Tonight 10.30 Newsline 11.30 CBS News 12.30am Newsline 1.30 CBS News 2.30 Beyond 2000 3.30 Our World 4.30 Beyond 2000 5.30 Newsline

SKY MOVIES+
● Via the Astra and Marcopolo satellites. 8.00am Showcase, incl at 8.40 Entertainment Tonight
10.00 Sacred Ground (1983): A wilderness adventurer and his Apache wife settle on a sacred Indian burial ground
12.00 *Crossing Delancey* (1988): A thirtysomething Jewish woman searches for Mr Right. Starring Amy Irving
2.00pm Where Pigeons Go To Die (1990): A middle-aged man reflects on the time he spent with his grandfather as a young boy
4.00 Farewell to the King (1989): Nick Nolte deserts the army and becomes king to a Borneo tribe
6.00 Rocky III (1982): Sylvester Stallone faces a rematch with Clubber Lang (*The A-Team's* Mr T)
8.00 Three Fugitives (1989): A notorious criminal (Nick Nolte) is taken hostage by an inept bank robber (Martin Short)
9.40 UK Top Ten
10.00 Django Strikes Again (1967): Offbeat Western set in the Amazonian jungle. Retired gunman Franco Nero sets out to find his kidnapped daughter
11.35 *Kickboxer* (1989): Martial arts thriller in which Jean-Claude Van Damme sets out to revenge his crippled brother
1.30am Devil's Odds (1987): A small-town black cop teams up with an out-of-town white cop to smash a drugs ring
3.50 Turning to Stone (1985): Psychological drama about a young girl arrested for smuggling drugs. Ends at 5.30

THE MOVIE CHANNEL
● Via the Astra and Marcopolo satellites. 6.15am Lafayette Escadrille (1958): An American boy joins the Foreign Legion during the first world war
8.15 Design for Living (1933, b/w): Love triangle comedy, based on the play by Noël Coward
10.15 Up Periscope (1959): James Garner stalks the Japanese in a submarine
12.15pm Lady In a Corner (1989): Editor Loretta Young attempts to stop her women's magazine from falling into the hands of a porn magnate
2.15 Lies My Father Told Me (1975): A Jewish boy in 1920s Montreal idolises his grandfather
4.00 A Night at the Magic Castle (1988): The adventures of a boy on the eve of his 10th birthday
5.30 The Bridge on the River (1957): Oscar-winning second world war drama about British PoWs who were forced by the Japanese to build a railway bridge
6.15 Crusoe (1988): An adaptation of Daniel Defoe's classic story, starring Aidan Quinn
10.05 Casualties of War (1989): Sean Penn leads a platoon of soldiers in the kidnap, rape and murder of an Asian girl during the Vietnam war
12.00 The Deer Hunter (1978): Michael Cimino's Oscar-winning drama about four Pennsylvania steel-workers who fight in the Vietnam war. Starring Robert De Niro
3.00 Sam Whiskey (1969): Gambler Burt Reynolds is hired to retrieve a fortune in gold bars from the bottom of a river
4.40 Rachel, Rachel (1968): Joanne Woodward stars as a sexually repressed spinster schoolteacher. Ends at 5.20

SKY SPORTS
● Via the Astra and Marcopolo satellites. 6.30am Aerobics 7.00 Winfield Cup Final 9.00 Aerobics 9.30 Power Hour Wrestling 10.30 Aerobics 11.00 Red Line 12.00 Scottish Premier League Football 2.00pm Watersports World 3.00 Italian League Football 5.00 Super Trax 6.00 Netbusters 6.30 NFL Follies 7.00 WWF Wrestling Challenge 8.00 Kick-Boxing 9.00 Italian League Football 11.00 World of Adventure 12.00 Netbusters 12.30am WWF Prime time Wrestling

EUROSPORT
● Via the Astra satellite.
1.00pm Davis Cup Tennis 5.30 Field Hockey: Men — USSR v The Netherlands 6.30 Eurosport News 7.00 Davis Cup Tennis Highlights 9.00 Football Euro Goals 10.00 Surfing 10.30 Eurosport News

SCREENSPORT
● Via the Astra satellite.
7.00am Eurobics 7.30 German League Tennis 8.00 Pro Superbike 9.30 Eurobics 10.00 Stop-Battle of Monster Trucks 11.00 American College Football 1.00pm British Rallycross 2.00 US Pro Box 3.00 World Championships of Karting 4.00 Fun TV Windsurfing 4.30 Gillette World of Sport 5.00 Stop-USWA Wrestling 6.00 Golf 7.00 Spanish Football Highlights 8.00 RAC British Rallycross 9.00 Matchroom Pro Box 10.00 British Touring Car Championships 10.30 Action Auto 11.00 Equestrian 12.00 Speedway 12.30am Fun TV Windsurfing

LIFESTYLE
● Via the Astra satellite.
10.00am The Great American Gameshows 11.15 Coffee Break 11.20 Everyday Workout 11.50 Simply Marvellous 12.15pm Sally Jessy Raphael 1.05 What's Cooking 1.10 Search for Tomorrow 1.40 The Edge of Night 2.05 Video Visits 2.30 It's Your Lifestyle 2.40 Pets and People 3.10 House Rules 4.00 Tea Break 4.10 Mothers-in-Law 4.40 The Great American Gameshows 5.00 The Sell-a-Vision Shopping Programme 8.00 Close 10.00 The Sell-a-Vision Shopping Programme 12.00 Satellite Jukebox

MTV
● Via the Astra satellite.
Twenty-four hours of rock and pop

RADIO 3

6.35-6.55am Open University (FM only): Servants, Masters and the Enlightenment
6.55 Weather; News Headlines
7.00 Morning Concert: Vivaldi (Violin Concerto in E, RV 271); Liszt (Liebestraume)
7.30 News
7.35 Morning Concert (cont): Monteverdi (Lamento della ninfa, Eighth Book of Madrigals — Madrigals of Love and War); Delius (The Walk to the Paradise Garden); Suk (Love Song); Harty (Ode to a Nightingale); Schumann (To Clara, Bunte Blätter, Op 99 No 1) 8.30 News
8.35 Composers of the Week: Brahms (Waltzes in B and E, Op 39 Nos 1-2; Sextet No 1 in B flat; Neckerelen, Op 31 No 2; An die Heimat, Op 64 No 1; Variations on a Theme by Paganini, Op 35 Book II)
9.35 French Resistance: Honegger (Symphony No 2: Paris Conservatoire Orchestra under Charles Münch); Jolivet (Suite liturgique, Magnificat, Musette and Final: Corinne Laporte, soprano, Sophie Delbende, oboe/cor anglais, Philippe Pennanguer, cello, Geneviève Letang, harp); Ibert (Trio for violin, cello and harp: Syrinx); Auric (Quatre Chants de la France malheureuse: Michel Carey, baritone, Marcelle Dedieu-Vidal, piano); Honegger (Symphony No 3, Symphonie Liturgique: Berlin PO under Von Karajan); Poulenc (Figure humaine: The Sixteen under Harry Christophers)
11.30 Klee Conducts Mahler: BBC PO under Bernhard Klee performs Mahler (Symphony No 6 in A minor) (r)
1.00pm News
1.05 Mozart Summer: The Mozart Fragments. The final programme in the series is on the composer's surviving keyboard fragments. For two hands: Movement in G minor, K 312; Fantasy in D minor, K 397; Allegro in B flat, K 400; Variations on Sarti's Come un agnello, K 460; For four hands: Fragments of a Sonata in G, K 497a and K 500a; Fugue in G minor, K 401; a Larghetto and Allegro not known to Köchel
2.00 Third Opinion (r)
2.45 BBC Scottish SO under Jerzy Maksymiuk, with David Horne, piano, Linda Hirst, mezzo, Stephen Roberts, baritone, performs Peter Nelson (Flight-Tableau); Iain Hamilton (Piano Concerto No 2); Lyell Cresswell (A Modern Ecstasy)
4.15 Début: Jae Park, violin, Nigel Clayton, piano, perform Strauss (Sonata in E flat, Op 18)
4.45 Bach — Clavierübung, Part 3 (new series): Three programmes played by James Dalton on the organ of the Queen's College, Oxford. Prelude in E flat, BWV 552; Kyrie, Gott Vater in Ewigkeit; Christe, aller Welt Trost; Kyrie, Gott heiliger Geist; Kyrie, Gott Vater in Ewigkeit; Christe, aller Welt Trost; Kyrie, Gott heiliger Geist; Allein Gott in der Höh sei Ehr; trio; Allein Gott in der Höh sei Ehr, fughetta, BWV 669-77
5.30 Mainly for Pleasure, with Brian Kay
7.00 News
7.05 Third Ear
● CHOICE: To each his own metaphor. Everybody, however, understands a well-chosen gastronomic simile. English apple-pies, American hamburgers and Italian pasta are effectively resorted to tonight when the Hungarian film director Istvan Szabo, whose partnership with the British producer David Puttnam has yielded *Meeting Venus* which opens in London this week, talks to David Robinson about the danger of a European pudding mix (yet another culinary image) emerging when EC trade barriers are removed in 1992 and international film co-productions displace the national dishes that embody cinema heritages
7.30 Siroe: Brewer Baroque CO under Rudolph Palmer, with Edward Brewer, harpsichord, Lorretta O'Sullivan, cello, performs the first UK broadcast of Handel's opera of 1728. Sung in Italian. With John Ostendorf, bass, as Cosroe, King of Persia; and D'Anna Fortunato, soprano, his son
10.45 Alan Gravill: A tribute to the late British pianist. Maw (Personae for piano I-VI)
11.30 News
11.35-12.35am Composers of the Week: Fauré (r)
1.00-2.25 Night School (FM only) (except in Scotland)

RADIO 4

(s) Stereo on FM
6.55am Shipping Forecast **6.00** News Briefing, Incl **6.03** Weather **6.10** Farming Today **6.25** Today, incl **6.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30** News **6.55, 7.55** Weather **8.35** The Week on 4 **8.43** Indian Summer, by James Cameron (final part) **8.58** Weather
9.00 News
9.05 Start the Week (s)
10.00-10.30am Eat, Drink and Be Silly (FM only), from the Café Royal in London. With Chris Kelly, Oz Clarke and Clement Freud, who are joined by restaurateur Bob Peyton and gourmet Julian Critchley (s)
10.00 News; Daily Service (LW only) from the Chapel of HM Prison, Walton, Liverpool
10.15 The Bible (LW only): Genesis. John Gielgud reads the sixth of 13 parts from the Authorised Version (s)
10.30 Woman's Hour: Sheila McClennon puts on her dancing shoes; the guest is Marie Aitken; and an item on what car to buy
11.30 Money Box Live: 071-580 4411, with Vincent Duggleby
12.00 News; You and Yours
12.25pm Round Britain Quiz: Geographical quiz with the resident London team Irene Thomas and Eric Korn playing the Wales and West's Jack Jones and Elaine Morgan (s) **12.55** Weather
1.00 The World at One
1.40 The Archers (r) **1.55** Shipping
2.00 News; Lizard in the Grass: The 1971 production of Susan Hill's atmospheric play. Jane Pace (Helen Worth) is an orphan at a clifftop convent, who fantasises about a fabled lost city, immersed in the sea below (s) (r)
3.15 On 15 Shillings a Week: Alf Walker remembers his Fenland childhood in the 1930s (r)
3.30 Conversations with Historians: The second of six programmes in which John Miller talks to eminent historians. Eric Hobsbawm, emeritus professor of economic and social history at London University
4.00 News
4.05 Kaleidoscope, live from New York. Includes an interview with the operatic soprano Cheryl Studer; Kenneth Branagh talks about his film, *Dead Again*; Amy Taubin reviews the film festival; Natalie Wheen reports on the arts scene; and, what happened to Scarlett O'Hara after *Gone with the Wind*? (s)
4.45 Short Story: Taking It Easy. The first of five stories by five poets, as part of the month's BBC radio's poetry festival. Barbara Flynn reads Michèle Roberts's droll guide to a writer's life
5.00 News; PM **5.50** Shipping Forecast **5.55** Weather
6.00 Six O'Clock News
6.30 The News Quiz: Barry Took quizzes Alan Coren, Richard Ingrams and guests on the week's events (s) (r)
7.00 News **7.05** The Archers
7.20 The Food Programme: Derek Cooper on Irish produce (r)
7.45 The Monday Play: Finn de Siècle. Alan Bennie's darkly comic satire on the social mores of the 1960s. The Finn sisters are drawn into the dream world of Dublin's beau monde. But cracks soon appear in the road to fame and fortune (s)
9.15 Uncle Mort's South Country: Admiral of the Night. Christian Rodska narrates the second of a three-part serial by Peter Tinniswood (s) (r)
9.30 Kaleidoscope (s) (r)
9.45 The Financial World Tonight (s) **9.58** Weather
10.00 News; The World Tonight (s)
10.45 A Book at Bedtime: Turning Back the Sun. Ian Holm reads from Colin Thubron's new novel (1 of 10)
11.00 Frank Muir Goes into . . . Hell. Frank Muir and Alfred Marks skip through the comic literature of hell, with quotes and clips from stars such as Woody Allen, Rowan Atkinson and Tom Lehrer (s) (r)
11.30 Taking Poetry: Simon Rae and Nicola Davies introduce poems about cats (s) (r)
12.00 News, incl **12.27am** Weather **12.33** Shipping Forecast **12.43** World Service (LW only)

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FM Stereo and MW. 4.00am Gary King (FM only) 6.00 Simon Mayo 9.00 Simon Bates 12.30pm Newsbeat 12.45 Gary Davies 3.00 Steve Wright 5.30 News '91 6.00 Jakki Brambles 7.30 Mark Goodier 9.00 Out on Blue Six 10.00 Nicky Campbell 12.00-4.00am Bob Harris (FM only)

RADIO 2
FM Stereo. 4.00am Steve Madden: The Early Show 6.00 Ken Bruce 7.30 Derek Jameson 9.30 Judith Chalmers 11.00 Jimmy Young 1.05pm David Jacobs 2.00 Gloria Hunniford 4.00 Daniel O'Donnell 5.05 John Dunn 7.00 Hubert Gregg says Thanks for the Memory 7.30 Alan Dell with Dance Band Days, and at 8.00 Big Band Era 8.30 Big Band Special 9.00 Humphrey Lyttelton with The Best of Jazz 10.00 Chris Stuart 12.05am Jazz Parade 12.35 Andrew Lane with Night Ride 3.00-4.00 A Little Night Music

RADIO 5
News and sport on the hour until 7.00pm. 6.00am World Service: News and 24 Hours 6.30 Morning Edition: News of the RNIB Rainbow Week launch 9.00 Schools 10.25 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 10.40 Johnnie Walker with This Family Business 12.30pm The Day Before Yesterday: Annie Nightingale explores the history that is all around us 1.00 News Update 1.15 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 (r) 1.30 BFBS Worldwide: Simon and the Squad 2.30 World Service. World Report. 2.45 Personal View. 3.05 Outlook. 3.30 Mid-

New poll lead puts Labour on offensive

By RICHARD FORD, POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

THE Labour leadership will mount a campaigning offensive against the government this week to maintain the momentum of its recovery in the opinion polls and increase its lead.

Labour's four-point lead in the latest survey has diminished the prospects of an autumn general election though according to the findings most people think the Conservatives would win an election if it were held now or in the spring.

Tory strategists are expected to wait for the results from more polls before ruling out a November election. They are faced with poll evidence of a Labour revival nationally but with findings showing the Conservatives doing better in the key marginal battleground on which the outcome of the election will be decided.

Labour strategists said that the Mori poll in *The Sunday Times* vindicated their view that the party would benefit once attention switched to domestic issues. The poll, taken on Thursday and Friday, gave Labour 43 per cent, Conservative 39 per cent and the Liberal Democrats 14 per cent, reversing the Tory lead shown in five previous national surveys. In the marginals, however, the Conservatives were doing 5 per cent better than their national showing.

The poll's findings strengthened the arguments of those at Conservative Central Office and among the prime minister's cabinet colleagues who believe an autumn contest too risky. They believe that delaying until next year would provide the evidence to convince voters that economic recovery was under way although the risk for the Tories in going on to the final months of a parliament is that the government is at the mercy of unforeseen events and can be portrayed as clinging to office.

Senior Labour politicans said that the poll had vindicated Neil Kinnock's leadership and called on John Major to call an election now. Labour believes that the uncertainty about an election will allow it to portray the prime minister as indecisive and afraid to go to the country because he would lose.

Labour and the Tories will keep up the electioneering atmosphere this week to ensure that the battleground is prepared in case of a poll.

The Conservatives will turn today on Labour's proposals for industry and the costs of returning parts of privatised utilities to public ownership. Later in the week Michael Heseltine, the environment sectretary, is expected to join the electioneering fray by emphasising the government's green credentials.

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CBI reports confidence

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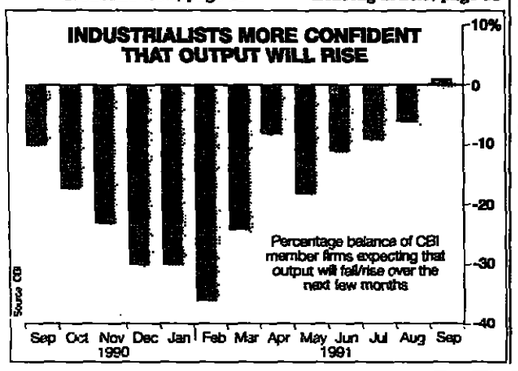
the negative balance was 36 per cent.

Order books, although showing an improvement during September, remain below normal for 60 per cent of companies surveyed, compared with 57 per cent in August.

Only nine per cent of companies responding to the confederation's survey enquiries during September said orders were above normal.

Export order books show a modest improvement, but remain below normal at 44 per cent of companies.



TONY WHITE

Window on the wine: Roy Williams takes a close look at his grapes ripening yesterday in the autumn sunshine. His verdict was that the quality of the forthcoming harvest appeared excellent (John Shaw writes). Mr Williams grows Huxelrebe and Muller Thurgau varieties on two-and-a-half sheltered, south-facing acres at Boyton vineyard near Stoke by Clare, Suffolk, and is one of hundreds of small growers preparing to pick his crop next month. The immaculately kept vineyard has just won two regional awards for the first time; Boyton Huxelrebe 1990 has won the Berwick Trophy for the region's best dry white and has also been named wine of the year in East Anglia. "I think we've succeeded because we try to get the fruit to the press in as clean a condition as possible," he said, nipping unwanted stray shoots from some of his 2,600 vines. "My wife (Christine) and I do it all ourselves. We're the growers, producers and salesmen and my daughter, who is at home at the moment, labels the bottles. It's a family team." This year has been difficult but the prolonged spell of warm sunshine in August "was really fabulous and couldn't have come at a better time". The vineyard has yielded about 6,000 bottles a year in the past two years. Mrs Williams said it would probably be down to between 2,000 and 3,000 this year "but the quality will be very high". The couple supply local restaurants and pubs but most is sold in their wine lodge at £5.50 a bottle. They belong to the 40-strong East Anglian Wine Growers' Association, one of five autonomous regional organisations that also cover producers in Kent, the Thames Valley, Hampshire and the South-West. Commander Geoffrey Bond, chief executive of the English Vineyards Association, said harvest prospects over the country were variable. "Everything is late this year, particularly after the frosts the first week in June." If the weather broke prospects would be hazardous.

Carey wants modern approach to get across church message

By LOUISE HIDALGO

THE Archbishop of Canterbury said yesterday that he was often ashamed by the outdated and amateurish way the church presented its message and called for it not to use its historic faith as an excuse to live in the past.

Dr George Carey criticised what he called "the often poor quality and old-fashioned nature of the church's attempt at communication" and urged churches to modernise their presentation of the "most exciting message there is".

The criticism came in a videotaped address at the opening of an international Christian media conference at Sheffield University last night. His remarks last week, linking the recent disturbances on Tyneside to poverty and poor housing, and criticising the government's education policy, sparked off controversy between church and state. Yesterday's message was recorded before last week's comments.

He urged his audience to "badger" their churches to update the way they communicated.

In a phone-in on the BBC World Service earlier yesterday, Dr Carey was at pains to smooth over political tensions both inside and outside the church. His comments on inner-city riots being rooted in social deprivation had been misunderstood, and had not been intended as a criticism of government policy, he said.

Dr Carey said the church was struggling to maintain its union on the issue of the ordination of women, and he called for church members to work together on resolving it. He declared himself open, however, to the possibility of a ten-year moratorium on the women's ordination debate, suggested by agriculture minister, John Gummer, last week. It would be for the House of Bishops to decide if the vote at next year's synod was divided.

On the issue of the church's role in combating Aids, he said: "I do not think it does good, or much good, when Western societies say the answer lies in giving everbody condoms. You still have not addressed the central issue of people needing to stay faithful to their partners."

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Bombs still fall after Croatian ceasefire

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third of their territory to the Serb-dominated federal forces. Battles raged round the Adriatic ports of Zadar, Sibinik and Split, where troops and Serb fighters supported by jets and naval gunfire have been trying to relieve army garrisons.

Croatian forces were yesterday continuing to empty the stores of the barracks at Nasice, which surrendered on Saturday. Croatian guardsmen said that about 400 men had surrendered at Nasice.

In the shelter beneath Vinkovci's regional defence headquarters national guardsmen showed off shells from the captured barracks of Djakovo, 20 miles to the west.

From Vukovar, eight miles to the east, came reports that Croatian forces had destroyed a column of 13 military vehicles including tanks and armoured personnel carriers which had attempted to enter the city on Saturday. "Vukovar will be our Stalingrad," said Mato a former Yugoslav army officer now serving with the Croatian guards.

The Croatian government is concerned about the increasing strength of extreme right-wing nationalist militia groups who profess sympathy for the Croat Ustasha fascist groups, which committed atrocities in the second world war. Ante Paradik, the vice-president of one such group, the Croatian Party of Rights, who claimed to have 10,000 supporters ready to fight, was shot dead at a roadblock on Saturday night, hours after boasting of his plans.

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Nuclear weapons on sunk warship

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American losses, including an F-14 fighter which dropped a Phoenix nuclear missile 75 miles off the coast of Scotland in September 1976. Others include a nuclear missile from a Skyhawk in the Pacific, off Okinawa, in 1965; a Thor rocket in 1962 off Johnston Island in the Pacific; four nuclear weapons from a B-52 bomber in the Artic sea near Greenland in 1968; a nuclear generator from the Nimbus B-1 spacecraft in the Pacific's Santa Barbara channel in 1968; another generator from the returning Apollo 13 mission lost south of Fiji; and a cruise missile in the Beaufort sea in 1986.

Only three of the items have been fully recovered, the report says. Nine are recorded for the Soviet Union of which seven involve submarines. The others cover nuclear weapons lost from destroyers or reactors from spacecraft.

News of the report comes as the Soviet Union listed details of the long-term health problems which might follow an accident on a nuclear-powered ship. The study, centring on an accident at the naval port of Murmansk, is believed to be the first time that a country has released details of its emergency plans for a worst-case nuclear accident.

It argues that 100 people would die instantly with more than 26,000 suffering serious radiation exposure.

Janet Convery, of Greenpeace, which has been given the documents, said that the findings made a mockery of official British defence ministry plans for the Faslane base on the Clyde.

The defence ministry claims that the health hazard from a nuclear accident at Faslane would extend only three miles downwind whereas the Soviet scenario argues that a radioactive plume would drift 600 miles.

TOMORROW IN THE TIMES

Material considerations: How much does the cloth decide the cut? Liz Smith considers the way in which fabrics inspire designers

Mixtures as before: In the record world nobody, it seems, is safe from bootleggers. David Toop lends an ear to bedroom remixes

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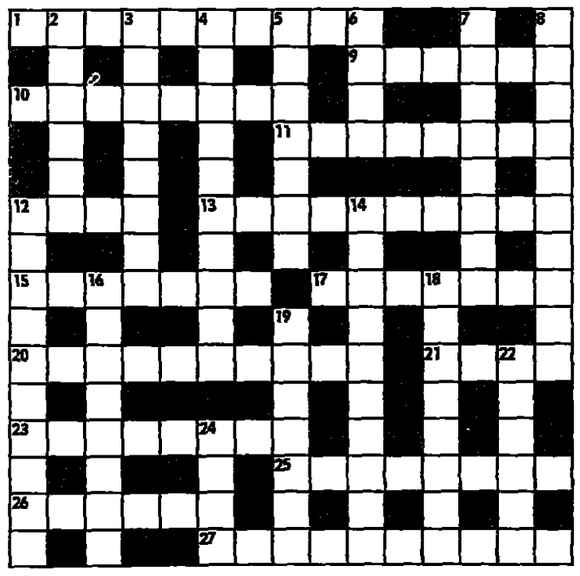

ACROSS

1 Trying individual meaning to come between scholar and class (10).
9 Chafe at nothing with rhythmic variety (6).
10 Places of entertainment causing the shedding of tears (8).
11 Service flat – bargain price! (8).
12 A painter being laid off (4).
13 The negotiator will find the answer lies in farm-machinery (10).
15 Church has an attempt to obtain an endowment for singers (7).
17 Relaxed model in colourful environment (7).
20 Meal in part cooked as required by convention (10).
21 Always included among the Vertebrata (4).
23 Reward the personnel officer (8).
25 "Sweet Flora", the golden horse one backs with some hesitation (8).
26 Get hold of the necessary equipment (6).
27 Pondering the downfall that overwhelmed the maiden (10).

DOWN

2 A word of thanks taking in a female divinity (6).
3 Currently popular case for doing nothing (8).
4 High-rise homes built by workers for their own occupation (10).
5 Store where you find a club and other weapons (7).
6 A flier of sound merit (4).
7 Puts the squeeze on groups of spectators about to go off (8).
8 Adept but unpolished equestrian? (5-5).
12 Remove the top and walk back with it in time (10).
14 Note trains can be thunderous (10).
16 Not the accommodation for down-to-earth travellers! (3-5).
18 Extra players – not very bright (8).
19 Act for pre-arranged figure (7).
22 Copper involved in French art work that makes money (6).
24 Care must be exercised in shaping a tree (4).

Concise Crossword, page 17

PARKER DUOFOLD

The solution of Saturday's Prize Puzzle No 18,717 will appear next Saturday. The 5 winners will receive a Duofold fountain pen supplied by Parker

WORD-WATCHING

A daily safari through the language jungle. Which of the possible definitions is correct?

By Philip Howard

ARTISTICS

INTARSIA
a. A hollow-cut design
b. A Florentine school
c. Trompe-l'oeil marquetry

SÉRAPHINE
a. A French woman painter
b. A picture of angels
c. A gold pigment

SALOMÓNICA
a. A portable easel
b. A Jewish sculptor
c. A twisted column

GINNER
a. A scraper for impasto
b. First-year student at RCA
c. Founder of Camden Town Group

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Northern Ireland	745

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WEATHER

Early cloud and rain over the South-West will spread to all parts by evening. During the afternoon, from the Midlands southwards it will become brighter and drier with the chance of some sunshine. Most parts will be cool, except where the sun breaks through. Most areas will also be windy with gales in places. Outlook: bright, showery and cooler everywhere.

ABROAD

MIDDAY: t=thunder; d=drizzle; fg=fog; s=sun; sl=sleet; sn=snow; f=fair; c=cloud; r=rain

	C	F			C	F	
Ajaccio	28	82	s	Madrid	26	79	s
Akrotiri	27	81	s	Majorca	29	84	s
Alex'dria	29	84	c	Malaga	28	82	s
Algiers	32	90	s	Malta	29	84	s
Amst'dm	15	59	f	Melb'rne	12	54	c
Athens	28	82	s	Mexico C*	19	66	f
Bahrain	34	93	s	Miami*	32	90	f
Bangkok	32	90	c	Milan	25	77	f
Barbados*	28	82	s	Montreal*	13	55	f
Barcelna	27	81	s	Moscow	8	46	c
Beirut	26	79	f	Munich	27	81	s
Belgrade	25	77	s	Nairobi	26	79	f
Berlin	25	77	f	Naples	27	81	f
Bermuda*	28	82	f	N Delhi	33	91	s
Biarritz	24	75	f	N York*	17	63	s
Borde'x	24	75	f	Nice	26	79	s
Brussels	14	57	c	Oslo	12	54	r
Budapest	19	66	f	Paris	15	59	r
B Aires*	19	66	f	Peking	25	77	s
Cairo	29	84	c	Perth	18	64	s
Cape Tn	19	66	s	Prague	24	75	s
Chicago*	17	63	s	Reykjavik	7	45	f
Ch'church	14	57	f	Rhodes	26	79	s
Cologne	22	72	f	Rio de J	24	75	s
C'phagn	14	57	f	Riyadh	38	100	s
Corfu	27	81	s	Rome	27	81	f
Dublin	14	57	c	Salzburg	24	75	s
Dubrovnik	26	79	s	S Fr'isco*	19	66	s
Faro	27	81	s	Santiago*	14	57	f
Florence	27	81	f	S Paulo*	24	75	s
Frankfurt	21	70	s	Seoul	25	77	f
Funchal	25	77	s	Sing'por	31	88	f
Geneva	26	79	s	Sthholm	15	59	f
Gibraltar	26	79	f	Strasb'rg	18	64	f
Helsinki	11	52	f	Sydney	18	64	s
Hong K	29	84	f	Tangier	29	84	f
Innsbruck	21	70	s	Tel Aviv	27	81	f
Istanbul	22	72	f	Tenerife	26	79	f
Jeddah	32	90	s	Tokyo	25	77	f
Jo'burg*	23	73	s	Toronto*	14	57	c
Karachi	33	91	s	Tunis	32	90	s
L Palmas	27	81	f	Valencia	29	84	s
Le Touqt	17	63	r	Vanc'ver*	15	59	f
Lisbon	25	77	s	Venice	24	75	f
Locarno	19	66	s	Vienna	21	70	s
London	18	64	c	Warsaw	19	66	s
L Angels*	21	70	s	Wash'ton*	19	66	f
Luxembg	22	72	f	Wel'nton	15	59	s
Luxor	35	95	s	Zurich	24	75	s

* denotes Saturday's figures are latest available

AROUND BRITAIN

	Sun hrs	Rain in	Max C	Max F	
Aberdeen	-	.14	14	57	rain
Anglesey	2.1	.02	18	64	rain
Aviemore	0.1	.40	15	59	rain
Belfast	0.6	.46	17	63	rain
Birmingham	5.4	-	23	73	bright
Blackpool	4.3	-	21	70	sunny
Colwyn Bay	4.5	.02	21	70	rain
Edinburgh	1.2	.50	17	63	rain
Eskdalemuir	0.1	.72	14	57	rain
Glasgow	0.5	.76	16	61	rain
Hastings	10.0	-	20	68	sunny
Hunstanton	5.2	-	24	75	bright
Kinloss	-	.16	17	63	rain
Leeds	7.9	-	23	73	sunny
Lerwick	1.7	.30	13	55	rain
London	8.5	-	25	77	sunny
Manchester	7.7	-	23	73	sunny
Margate	X	-	24	75	sunny
Morecambe	4.6	.33	20	68	shower
Newcastle	5.3	-	20	68	rain
Penzance	6.5	-	21	70	sunny
Plymouth	8.3	-	20	68	sunny
Poole	7.0	-	23	73	bright
Sandown	9.6	-	22	72	sunny
Scarborough	7.6	-	22	72	sunny
Scilly Isles	5.6	-	20	68	cloudy
Shanklin	9.3	-	22	72	sunny
Southend	X	-	23	73	sunny
St. Ives	7.5	-	21	70	sunny
Stornoway	2.3	.70	13	55	rain
Swanage	3.8	-	20	68	bright
Tiree	2.9	.88	14	57	bright
Weymouth	5.3	-	21	70	bright
Wick	0.2	.06	14	57	rain
Worthing	9.1	-	20	68	sunny

* denotes Not Available
These are Saturday's figures

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Belgium Fr	63.00	59.00
Canada $	2.067	1.917
Denmark Kr	11.82	11.07
Finland Mkk	7.49	7.03
France Fr	10.37	9.72
Germany Dm	3.055	2.855
Greece Dr	335.00	315.00
Hong Kong $	14.00	13.00
Ireland Pt	1.14	1.07
Italy Lira	2295.00	2145.00
Japan Yen	248.75	230.75
Netherlands Gld	3.44	3.22
Norway Kr	12.02	11.22
Portugal Esc	261.50	243.50
South Africa Rd	5.40	4.40
Spain Pta	190.50	177.50
Sweden Kr	11.19	10.44
Switzerland Fr	2.665	2.495
Turkey Lira	8600.00	7800.00
USA $	1.82	1.69
Yugoslavia Dnr	ONB	40.00

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MANCHESTER

Yesterday: Temp: max 6am to 6pm, 16C (61F); min 6pm to 6am, 10C (50F). Rain: 24hr to 6pm, 0.15 in. Sun: 24hr to 6pm, 7.5 hr.

LONDON

Yesterday: Temp: max 6am to 6pm, 19C (66F); min 6 pm to 6 am, 13C (55F). Humidity, 6pm, 41 per cent. Rain: 24hr to 6pm, 0.31 in. Sun: 24hr to 6pm, 8.5 hr. Bar, mean sea level, 6pm, 1,008.3 millibars, rising.
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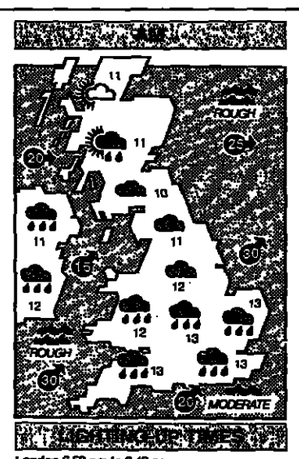

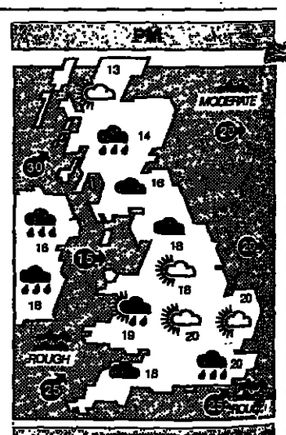

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London 6.59 pm to 6.49 am
Bristol 7.08 pm to 6.59 am
Edinburgh 7.11 pm to 7.01 am
Manchester 7.07 pm to 6.57 am
Penzance 7.19 pm to 7.11 am

Sun rises: 6.47 am | Sun sets: 6.58 pm
Moon sets 6.17 am | Moon rises 6.19 pm
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Temperatures at midday yesterday: c, cloud; f, fair; r, rain; s, sun.

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B'mngham	16	61	f	Inverness	12	54	f
Blackpool	15	59	f	Jersey	17	63	s
Bristol	16	61	f	London	18	64	c
Cardiff	16	61	f	M'nchster	14	57	f
Edinburgh	12	54	r	Newcastle	14	57	f
Glasgow	13	55	f	R'nldsway	14	57	s

NUMBERS & LOWERS

Saturday: Highest day temp: Jersey, Channel Isles, 26C (79F); lowest day max: Lerwick, Shetland, 13C (55F); highest rainfall: Cape Wrath, Highland, 0.95 in; highest sunshine: Folkestone, Kent, 10.3 hr.

HIGH TIDES

TODAY	AM	HT	PM	HT	TODAY	AM	HT	PM	HT
London Bridge	2.16	6.7	2.26	6.8	Liverpool	11.45	8.9	11.58	9.4
Aberdeen	1.25	4.1	2.00	4.0	Lowestoft	9.39	2.4	10.23	2.3
Avonmouth	7.42	12.5	7.57	13.0	Margate	12.35	4.5	12.22	4.6
Belfast	11.27	3.1	11.34	3.3	Milford Haven	6.39	6.6	6.54	6.9
Cardiff	7.27	11.6	7.42	12.0	Newquay	5.30	6.6	5.46	6.8
Devonport	6.26	5.3	6.42	5.6	Oban	6.21	3.7	6.30	4.1
Dover	11.28	6.5	11.44	6.4	Penzance	5.23	5.4	5.38	5.7
Falmouth	5.56	5.1	6.12	5.4	Portland	7.32	2.1	7.46	2.3
Glasgow	1.17	4.7	1.36	4.6	Portsmouth	—	—	12.08	4.5
Harwich	—	—	12.20	3.8	Shoreham	11.42	6.0	11.53	6.0
Holyhead	10.49	5.2	10.57	5.6	Southampton	11.33	4.4	11.38	4.4
Hull	6.39	7.3	7.10	7.1	Swansea	6.43	9.0	6.58	9.3
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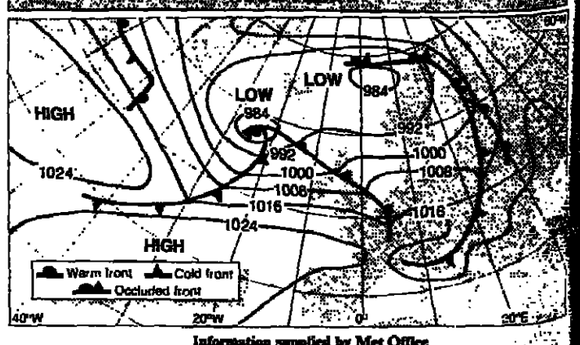

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Canada to wind up BCCI offshoot

By Neil Bennett
Banking Correspondent

THE long-feared liquidation of the Bank of Credit and Commerce International is due to begin today in Canada, dashing its depositors' hopes that the Abu Dhabi government would back an international rescue plan.

The Canadian superior court is expected to apppoint liquidators to the Bank of Credit and Commerce (Canada) today, following a court hearing on Friday. BCC Canada will be the first part of BCCI to go into liquidation.

Justice Perry Meyer made his decision in a Montreal court after counsel representing the Abu Dhabi government, BCCI's main shareholder, announced that his client no longer planned to offer a settlement to creditors of the Canadian offshoot.

Meanwhile, Keith Vaz, the Labour MP for Leicester East, has claimed that the Bingham report into the BCCI collapse will not be published until after a general election, despite assurances from the British government that it would be released quickly.

Lord Justice Bingham, who is heading the enquiry, told Mr Vaz at the weekend that his report would not be completed until at least Easter next year. Mr Vaz called on the enquiry to publish an interim report before December 2, the date of the next High Court hearing on whether to put BCCI into liquidation.

NatWest's US arm to report loss

National Westminster Bancorp, the American arm of NatWest, will report more losses and bad debts this year and is unlikely to be profitable until next year.

John Tugwell, NatWest Bancorp's new chairman and chief executive, said: "For this year there will be more losses to come. I am hopeful indeed that when we hit 1992 we'll be very much improved." Further bad debt charges would have to be made, and the balance sheet would shrink about 6.5 per cent to $21.5 billion.

Mr Tugwell expects losses in the third and fourth quarters will fall below first-half levels when a loss of $276 million was reported. The British parent has injected $450 million so far this year and has told the subsidiary it will be sold if it does not become profitable.

Awards for small firms

Coopers & Lybrand Deloitte, in association with *The Times*, is sponsoring the Coopers Deloitte Awards for smaller companies, at the Grosvenor House Hotel, London, on March 19.

Awards will be presented in seven categories, including the USM company of the year, the best performing share of 1991, best annual report and entrepreneur of the year. A panel of judges will be nominated in February and a shortlist of companies will be published on March 18.

Graham Cole, a partner of Coopers & Lybrand, said: "We are extremely pleased to again sponsor this event, which we see as a unique opportunity for all branches of the City to meet together with their clients in what has always been a very enjoyable evening."

CHANGE ON WEEK

THE POUND

US dollar
1.7270 (–0.0090)

German mark
2.9204 (+0.0004)

Exchange index
91.0 (–0.1)

Bank of England official close (4pm)

STOCK MARKET

FT 30 share
2038.8 (–29.0)

FT-SE 100
2600.3 (–25.5)

New York Dow Jones
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Tokyo Nikkei Avge
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Pressure on Lilley over supply competition

OFT calls for British Gas to lose monopoly

By Ross Tieman, Industrial Correspondent

PETER Lilley, the trade secretary, is facing a growing chorus of calls for drastic action to open up the market for gas to effective competition.

A report about to be submitted to Mr Lilley by the Office of Fair Trading is expected to propose an end to the British Gas monopoly on supplies to companies using less than 25,000 therms a year and a more even-handed approach to charges for gas distribution.

Sir Gordon Borrie, director general of fair trading, may even propose that British Gas be forced to hive off its transmission system as a separate company. The pressure stems from growing concern about the slowness at which competition is developing in gas supply, which in turn could inhibit the emergence of competition in electricity generation.

Critics believe the creation of an independent transmission system would make greater competition possible in the electricity industry. Five years after its privatisation, British Gas still provides 90 per cent of supplies and has only a handful of independent competitors. In the electricity industry, privatised less than nine months ago, plans for more than 20 gas-fired power stations have been put forward by independents.

British Gas has already been forced into market-opening measures by a monopolies commission report in 1988, but Sir Gordon, in his review, is believed to have concluded that too many restrictions remain in place.

In evidence to the OFT, independent supply companies complained that British Gas was still able to use its control of the transmission system to block competition.

Kinetica, a joint venture between PowerGen, the generating company, and Conoco, said that although British Gas published transmission charges for carrying gas between independent suppliers and their customers, there were times when Kinetica found itself simply unable to compete on price.

Peter Rost, a Conservative MP and spokesman for the Major Energy Users Council, said the limit on companies that can seek supplies from independents was anti-competitive.

Gordon MacKerron, of the Science Policy Research Unit at the University of Sussex, said that although independents now command 20 per cent of the firm contract gas market, the competition was artificial because it had been "stage managed" by Ofgas, the industry regulator.

James McKinnon, the director general of gas supply, has repeatedly expressed his concerns about constraints to competition in gas supply. His submissions to the OFT review will carry particular weight with Sir Gordon.

Rigs at risk as oil boom slows

By Martin Barrow

DRILLING activity in the North Sea, which reached record levels last year, shows signs of abating as oil companies, faced with sharply rising costs, defer expenditure on exploration and development.

Early signs are emerging that the boom in North Sea investment is over and that suppliers of oil services face difficult times, according to industry analysts. Their concern appears to contradict government claims that investment was being sustained despite the uncertain outlook for oil prices.

About 212 new wells were drilled in 1990, exceeding the previous record, set in 1984, by 10 per cent. At the beginning of this year, hopes were high that another record would be established and, by August, total well starts were 10 per cent higher than for the first seven months of 1990.

There has, however, been a noticeable downturn in activity, with latest figures showing a decline of 2 per cent. David Roberts, an industry analyst of Girozentrale Gilbert Eliott, estimates that the number of rigs engaged in exploration and appraisal in the UK sector has fallen since early August from 31, itself a low figure by recent standards, to 26, while those in port without contract have increased from 14 to 17. A year ago only three vessels were available for work.

Rig rates have also fallen sharply. Stephen Halliday, an analyst of County NatWest WoodMac, estimates current charges at the lower end of the market average $25,000 a day, compared with up to $45,000 a year ago.

Mr Halliday said he was "quite bearish" on prospects for 1992, when he believes the number of new wells will fall to between 170 and 180.

Analysts believe the government placed too much emphasis on last year's record activity to offset the stark news emerging from elsewhere in the industrial sector.

The consensus is that the figures were artificially inflated by BP, which had to step up activity to honour a commitment to spend up to £325 million on exploration and appraisal following the controversial takeover of Britoil. As a result BP's share of new wells rose temporarily from the standard 15 per cent to 25 per cent but has since fallen back.

Mr Roberts believes the Cullen report into North Sea safety has had a much greater impact on new investment than originally anticipated.

In response to Cullen, scheduled breaks for maintenance were lengthened and brought forward from later summer to mid-spring, causing increases in operating costs, reductions in tax offsets and cash flow disruption.

Measuring the way in meters: Stephen Littlechild is preparing a cheaper power timetable

'Intelligent' meters to pave way for cheaper electricity

By Our Industrial Correspondent

STEPHEN Littlechild, the director of electricity supply, is preparing a rigorous timetable for the installation of "intelligent" meters that will force electricity companies to compete for the business of every household in Britain.

The timetable for re-metering consumers, to be published within weeks, will ensure competition at every level of power supply when the domestic market is opened to competition in 1998.

meters can be designed that will enable householders to buy electricity from the cheapest source.

Improved awareness of off-peak rates is expected to trigger a substantial shift in the daily pattern of power consumption. The amount of plant needed to meet demand peaks will be reduced, and improved overall efficiencies should lead to cheaper power.

Professor Littlechild has travelled extensively to examine advances in metering technology. He believes technical advances hold the key both to improving competition and tackling complaints about bills, the most common grievance brought to the Office of Electricity Regulation (Offer) by consumers.

The legislation for privatisation of the electricity industry in the United Kingdom foresaw competition being allowed only for customers using more than 1 megawatt, a level of demand typical of a substantial factory. In March 1994, competition will be allowed, however, for customers using a tenth as much. Suppliers will have to vie for the business of every sizeable office block, public building and factory in the country. In 1998, they will be able to compete for every customer.

Professor Littlechild is determined to ensure meters are in place ahead of the deadlines and he has identified three routes to better metering:

☐ Meters could be connected to telephone lines. Professor Littlechild believes regional power companies could negotiate special prices with BT and cable television companies to collect consumption data at off-peak times.

☐ Power cables can be used to carry signals to and from meters.

☐ A £15 device, designed by a British metering company, can be clipped to existing meters to transmit details of consumption by radio signal to the nearest sub-station.

Professor Littlechild acknowledges that not every customer will have the time or the inclination to change his or her lifestyle simply to save a few pounds on an electricity bill. He says that intelligent metering could be a boon to those such as pensioners on a fixed income who spend a lot of time in their homes. He is confident that the opportunity for savings will be seized upon by enough people to compel power companies to compete effectively for custom.

BAe acts over reports of divided board

By Neil Bennett

BRITISH Aerospace is planning a damage limitation exercise after reports this weekend of a boardroom split that raised questions about the position of Professor Sir Roland Smith as chairman.

BAe would not comment on the reports but is said to be preparing a statement to the London Stock Exchange.

Sir Roland is reported to be facing a revolt from other board members, led by Dick Evans, the chief executive, after BAe's slump in profits and the £432 million emergency rights issue.

The directors are said to be angry that news of the call was leaked in advance to the City. Sir Roland has been criticised for the extent of his outside interests, including the chairmanship of seven other public companies. Until recently, he had been regarded as a far-sighted chairman who has built BAe into a diversified engineering and property group.

BAe's non-executive directors, who include Sir Graham Day, the chairman of Cadbury Schweppes, and Sir James Blyth, the chief executive of Boots, spent the weekend discussing events and how they should respond to the reports. They are expected to state publicly that Sir Roland has their complete support. Any boardroom split at this stage could turn the City against the rights issue, and leave it in the hands of Kleinwort Benson, the lead underwriter.

Mr Evans spent last week visiting about 80 of the group's main institutional shareholders, trying to restore confidence in the troubled group and seeking support for the cash call.

Even so, most fund managers seem to have little patience left with BAe, whose shares slumped to 395p at one stage last week only 15p above the deeply discounted rights price, compared with 556p at the start of the month.

The company's latest problems began before the rights issue was announced, when, after a last-minute meeting between BAe's directors and the company's advisors, the group's profit forecast for the year was cut by £70 million to £150 million. The sudden change of heart raised questions about the quality of management controls and financial information at the group.

World Bank to lend $25bn

By Anatole Kaletsky, Economics Editor

THE World Bank expects to lend between $23 billion and $25 billion to developing and former communist countries in its 1992 financial year, which began on July 1. Taking account of loan repayments, however, net disbursements to the institution's traditional Third World borrowers have fallen sharply and will probably continue to diminish as scarce funds are channelled to eastern Europe.

These are the main trends that emerge from the World Bank's annual report, published today. In the 1991 financial year, the World Bank Group made lending commitments of $16.4 billion, through the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development, its main operational arm. In 1992, the World Bank said it expected new commitments from the IBRD to rise to between $17 billion and $19 billion.

The World Bank group also committed $6.3 billion to long-term credits to the poorest developing countries through the International Development Association, its concessional financing arm. IDA commitments in 1992 should reach $6.4 billion, according to the report.

In 1990, IBRD committed only $15.2 billion and IDA committed $5.5 billion. After allowing for debt repayments and delays in implementing projects for which money has been pledged, net disbursements are falling sharply. IBRD net disbursements in 1991 were down to $2.1 billion from $5.7 billion. IDA net disbursements fell from $4.5 billion to $3.8 billion.

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Bass seeks full house in Gala opening

By Jon Ashworth

TEAMS of builders are preparing to tear down Club Granada signs at bingo halls across Britain this week and replace them with signs sporting the name Gala. Bass, the brewing, hotels and leisure group, paid £147 million for Granada's bingo clubs earlier this year, combining them with its Coral chain. The time has come to stamp a new identity on its network.

Simple, you might think, but in the profitable and recession-proof world of bingo, this is disturbing news. Bingo players have one thing in common: they do not like change, and so seriously has Bass taken the threat of upsetting its regulars or, worse still, driving them into the arms of Top Rank/Mecca, its rival, that the company brought in an image consultant to find the perfect name.

Gala it is. "We used the best in the business," said Peter Sherlock, chief executive of Bass's leisure division. "We took everyone by surprise. Most people seemed to think it would be Ambassador or Phoenix."

Mr Sherlock has set aside £1 million to advertise the branding and is to spend up to £25 million in the next year on refurbishing his 165 bingo clubs, so the choice of name was all-important.

Name game: Bass's bingo identity

John Murphy, chairman of Interbrand, was chosen for the task. After a tour of bingo clubs in the Midlands, one thing was clear: wild innovation was out. "There was no room for that," said Mr Murphy, whose clients include BP, and who is something of a legend in the world of branding. "Nothing foreign or exotic or over the top. It had to be memorable and easy to pronounce." Why Gala? "It has the same first and last letters as Granada and includes letters from Coral."

Why go to so much trouble on the choice of name; bingo, surely, was created to help pensioners pass the long winter afternoons? The answer is "certainly not". The typical bingo player is aged 44 and female. She plays for pleasure and relaxation, to have a night out, or to enjoy a drink with friends between games. Consumers spend £1 billion a year on bingo when food and drink is included, and 2.8 million people play on a regular basis. This is good news for Bass and Top Rank/Mecca, which have cornered the British bingo market. The Bass flagship club in Tooting, south London, attracts 10,000 customers a week.

Bass is spending between £20,000 and £1 million upgrading each of its clubs, and is building new ones at the rate of five a year. The bingo sector has continued to grow, despite the recession, and is expected to expand steadily in the years ahead, and if Bass has played its cards right, Gala is the name customers will choose.

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Confused directors 'need role guidance'

By PHILIP PANGALOS

MANY non-executive directors are confused about their role in the boardroom and need to have their precise functions and accountabilities laid down, according to a new survey.

The report comes in the wake of recent criticisms of the role of non-executive directors, fuelled by hefty pay rises awarded to some chairmen and chief executives in spite of poor, and sometimes dismal, profit performances.

The survey, from Merton Associates, the executive search and management consultancy, gathered data from 268 individuals serving as non-executive directors with many of the United Kingdom's top companies.

It said the findings revealed "serious shortcomings" about the role and status of non-executive directors in major public companies, and demonstrated an urgent need for government to lay down precise functions and accountabilities.

The survey reveals massive confusion amongst non-executive directors about their role and responsibility, and "a chronic absence of any enduring sense of accountability" to their companies.

The survey claims "discord is rife" between chairmen and non-executives, and reveals that 69 per cent of all non-executive directors surveyed spend, on average, only 15 days per annum on the business of the public company that they represent.

Only a third of respondents thought industry-related skills and experience had relevance when serving as non-executives, while 66.4 per cent did not believe they needed to have specialist skills.

Fewer than a third of all non-executive directors surveyed were actually satisfied with the adequacy and quality of their briefings by chairmen and chief executives.

☐ *Non Executive Directors of plcs; Merton Associates: £25.*

Two-speed EMU agreed by finance ministers

From GEORGE BROCK IN APELDOORN

EUROPEAN monetary union can only go ahead at two speeds, EC finance ministers confirmed at the weekend. A broad agreement that all 12 member states' currencies cannot be united at once has been reached between the leading EC economies and the weaker southern minority. Details of the monetary union treaty, due to be signed in December, have still to be ironed out, however.

Between six and eight countries could start an ecu currency area without being forced to include economies that failed to meet the requirements for convergence of inflation, public debt and monetary stability.

Governments in the second group would be given nominal access to economic and monetary decision-making to soften the political pain of their exclusion from the first wave.

This informal agreement, reached at a meeting in Apeldoorn, The Netherlands, sets up "two-speed EMU" in all but name. There is still argument about the minimum number of countries that can decide to merge their currencies. The Dutch government, which chairs the EC until the end of the year, first proposed that the minimum should be six. Stiff opposition will force that number to seven or eight.

Solchaga: urging delay

On present economic performance, the leading six are expected to be Germany, France, Belgium, Luxembourg, The Netherlands and Denmark. An increase to seven would mean waiting for Italy to sustain economic performance on a par with the other six. The Mediterranean economies have reluctantly accepted that they cannot hold up the leading group.

Asked about a suggestion from Carlos Solchaga, the Spanish finance minister, that the next round of decisions on integration be delayed for two years and rescheduled for 1998 or 1999, Wim Kok, the Dutch finance minister, voiced the impatience of the leading group. "We are rather optimistic about the speed at which we might come to results," he said. "Why speak about '98 or '99?"

One of the concessions made at the weekend came from Guido Carli, the Italian finance minister, who accepted that "second group" countries would not be able to take part in the key decisions of the proposed European central bank. He accepted a proposal from Helmut Schlesinger and Jacques de Larosière, the governors of the German and French central banks, that a proposed European monetary institute should be replaced by a central bank when currencies were merged.

The institute will monitor economies and advise ministers of countries' eligibility for union. The central bank will run a common ecu currency if and when it is established. While non-participating governments may be allowed to observe the meetings, they will take no part in decisions.

The finance ministers also agreed the EC should study the feasibility of a "triangular" food aid deal for the Soviet Union.

The EC would provide money to the Soviet Union on condition that the funds be used to buy food from eastern Europe.

Smurfit: receivers could move on Brent Walker within hours if he rejects the deal

Smurfit to give judgment on Brent Walker's survival

By NEIL BENNETT, BANKING CORRESPONDENT

MICHAEL Smurfit, the Irish businessman, will decide the fate of Brent Walker today when he tells the stricken leisure group's banks whether he is prepared to accept the new refinancing proposals.

Mr Smurfit and Jefferson Smurfit, his paper and packaging group, together own 25 per cent of Brent's £102 million bond issue, and his agreement is crucial to the company's survival.

If he rejects the banks' offer, it could force the group, which has debts of £1.5 billion, into administration or receivership within hours. Touche Ross, the accountancy firm that prepared a financial report on Brent for the banks this summer, is said to be standing by to take over the company.

Mr Smurfit spent the weekend examining the proposals, which go some way to meeting his demands. Mr Smurfit and other bondholders, including Lonrho, the international trading group, had insisted on being given secured debt in exchange for their bonds.

This was rejected by Brent's 47 banks, who saw no reason why the bondholders, ranking below senior creditors, should be offered such generous terms. Hill Samuel, the merchant bank masterminding the reconstruction, has produced a compromise that offers bondholders a mix of debt and equity. The banks themselves have given unanimous approval to the new terms, although some had misgivings about offering bondholders any security. National Westminster Bank for example, which has a small exposure to Brent, is believed to have agreed to the terms only on condition that all the other banks accepted them first.

The banks hope the offer goes far enough to secure Mr Smurfit's approval. If so, they will achieve the 75 per cent majority vote from bondholders at an emergency meeting which is needed for the reconstruction to proceed. At the last vote, only 60 per cent were in favour of the reconstruction.

Thousands chase knock-down property bargains

One man's tragic repossession is increasingly becoming another man's chance to get on to the housing ladder. **Matthew Bond** investigates

THE mainstream housing market may be firmly stuck in the doldrums, but business in one specialist sector of the market is booming. The smart place to take your cash these days, it seems, is the repossession auctions.

More and more potential buyers are discovering these sales, as the prospect of picking up a bargain over-rides any lingering guilt at the thought of cashing in on someone else's misery.

Nor is there any shortage of product. Stickley & Kent, the London estate agent, has 140 lots, from all parts of the country, in its fourth repossession auction of the year, which will take place on October 7.

With the number of repossessions still rising, the firm is actively considering making the auctions a monthly event. As for buyers, S&K says that nearly 5,000 people have asked for the latest catalogue.

Ray Mitchell, the auctioneer, acknowledges that every picture in the glossy auction catalogue hides a story of yet another broken dream. He believes, however, that such auctions do have clear benefits. "We're getting a particularly good response from young people, with more and more first-time buyers taking advantage of the auctions to get on the first rung of the ladder."

Mr Mitchell makes the point that a healthy first-time buyer market is the key to any improvement higher up the housing ladder.

Buyers are attracted by properties which a year or so ago were stuck at £40,000 to £50,000 and are now being knocked down for about £30,000. Mr Mitchell said: "I know it is bad news for the people who have lost their houses, but at least some good is coming out of it."

The cheapest lot in the sale looks to be a three-bedroom house in Middlesbrough, in Cleveland, which has a reserve price of a remarkable £5,000 to £6,000.

The property clearly requires a lot of work, but then properties at such auctions often have something wrong with them.

That is why they are being sold at auction, rather than by the normal private treaty method which S&K uses to sell 90 per cent of the 250 repossessions it is currently handling a month.

But as long as a buyer goes in well advised and with his eyes open, Mr Mitchell believes the selling price will leave the purchaser with funds to put the property's particular problems right.

Norman Mazure, the chairman of S&K and the Shield Group, its ultimate owner, believes more repossessions will hit the market as the mortgage lenders wake up to the fact that there is no miracle recovery in prices coming to bail them out.

He said: "We act for lenders who believe their business is lending money, rather than owning empty property. And the majority of lenders for whom we act are now accepting the reality of the market."

Mr Mazure says the reality is "pretty horrendous", and could get worse again. He believes house prices are currently charting a W-shaped course.

The really worrying thing, he says, is that prices are currently at the central peak of the W.

S&K's latest catalogue explodes the myth that repossessions only affect overstretched borrowers at the bottom end of the market. The catalogue includes a seven-bedroom, six-bathroom house in Berkshire, with staff flat and swimming pool and next to the Sunningdale golf course, with a guide price of about £700,000.

Encouragingly, if curiously, the house, like its £350,000 Manor House counterpart in Leicestershire, has been sold prior to the auction. Clearly it is not just first-time buyers who are going bargain hunting.

Dutch seek to break CAP deadlock

From TOM WALKER IN BRUSSELS

THE European Community's Common Agricultural Policy (CAP) will again run the gauntlet of farm ministers in Brussels today and tomorrow. There is little prospect, however, that the creaking monolith, the biggest obstacle to progress in the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (Gatt) talks, will be toppled.

Britain's John Gummer will tell the Dutch presidency today that there is no link between reforming the CAP and making a breakthrough in the Gatt talks. In an effort to get unity in the negotiations, Piet Bukman, the Dutch farm minister, will ask ministers if they at least agree that CAP reform is unavoidable, and, if they do, whether reform should follow the outlines of the so-called MacSharry II proposals.

The essence of the plan, formulated by Ray MacSharry, the agriculture commissioner, is to reduce the guaranteed prices paid to the EC's 9 million farmers, and to shift the emphasis of the CAP from production support to income support, or "farmers' dole" as some cynics have likened it.

Mr MacSharry advocates a 35 per cent cut in cereal prices, 15 per cent in beef and 10 per cent in milk. All farm prices, for products from pigmeat to skimmed milk powder, would be reduced by similar amounts. Mr MacSharry then proposes that compensation payments for farmers, to make up for the price cuts, would be modulated to favour small farmers. One of the most criticised features of the present CAP is that 80 per cent of the money goes to 20 per cent of the farmers.

MacSharry II also has generous allowances for set-aside, and an improved early-retirement package for farmers. A British official said before the talks: "Yes, of course we support the need to reform, but Mr Gummer is very worried that the redistribution of farm support would have a significant effect on British agriculture, where farms tend to be above the average EC size."

With similar concerns being voiced by every delegation, it is clear that if ministers are to approve a CAP reform to jump start the Gatt talks, the MacSharry II proposals will have to be watered down significantly.

Carla Hills, the American trade representative, however, has repeatedly said that America will not come back to the negotiating table until the EC radically alters its stance. With the two positions irreconcilable, most Brussels officials say America is being unrealistic. The British official said: "It is very important that we don't put something in place just to placate the Americans, but if we do not agree anything, then who knows what will happen."

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Five keys to yield convergence

THE Dutch presidency of the EC has proposed five formidable hurdles to be crossed by any country hoping to take part in monetary union. For two years, public debt may not exceed 60 per cent of GNP; public borrowing may not exceed about 4 per cent; the nation must be in the ERM narrow band, and not devalue; and inflation and interest rates (maturity undefined) may not be more than 1.5 per cent above the best.

These terms met swift opposition from Italy and are far from being agreed. Nevertheless, they are likely to become an important guide for the markets in deciding which countries will be able to adopt the single currency — and this in turn determines which bond yields can converge towards mark levels.

Only two EC nations already satisfy the conditions: France and Luxembourg. Germany passes only if her federal government deficit is used.

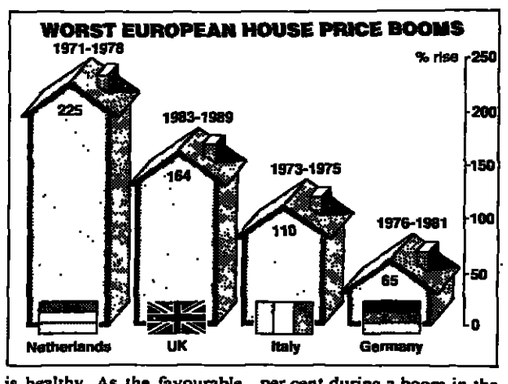
The UK passes only the first two of the tests, but success on the other three is within sight. Sterling is already a "shadow" member of the narrow band and seems likely to join formally just before or shortly after the election.

Inflation is about to fall comfortably within 1.5 percentage points of that in the country with the lowest rate (currently Denmark, where it is 3 per cent). Interest rates are already there, across the curve.

The question is: can these successes be maintained during the run-up to monetary union (which could be any time after 1996)?

The outlook for UK inflation over the next 18 months is healthy. As the favourable influence of sinking mortgage rates gradually fades out of the figures next year, it will be replaced by a fall in underlying inflation caused by low wage rises (in round numbers, wages at 6 per cent, minus productivity growth of 2 per cent, gives underlying inflation of 4 per cent).

Further ahead, whichever government is in power, in-



Sterling is a "shadow" member of the narrow ERM band and is likely to join close to an election.

stability in the housing market means it might be difficult to maintain UK inflation at close to Europe's best.

But wild gyrations in the housing market are not confined to the UK. As the chart shows, the worst recorded instance of European house price inflation in the past two decades was in The Netherlands, where prices rose 225 per cent during a boom in the 1970s. The tough monetary policy that was then imposed brought them crashing back in nominal terms.

Italy has experienced two housing booms in the past 20 years, the worst being shown in the chart. France has seen several, the most recent having just come to an end. (There are insufficient data for France to be included in the chart.) Even Germany has not been immune. Fiscal expansion after the 1978 Bonn summit set off a house price surge that was not halted until the Bundesbank took interest rates into double figures; and unification has recently triggered another. (All these data come from papers presented to a recent conference at the London Business School.)

Throughout Europe, politics dictates the existence of subsidies and tax breaks for housing, but each country has a different system, and the proportions of owner-occupied and rented accommodation vary greatly. Moreover, the systems change frequently.

Liberalisation of the UK's lending practices early in the Eighties was followed by a similar policy in France a few years later. Germany had a generous system of mortgage interest relief in the mid-Eighties but it was largely abolished in 1987.

In the UK, freezing the mortgage relief limit and restricting it to basic rate have effectively converted it into little more than a lump sum handout scarcely linked to the housing market.

All this suggests that we should avoid over-emphasising the impact of housing taxation and lending practices on UK inflation. They play a role, but when monetary policy has gone off course in other ERM countries, their housing markets have exploded too.

Improvements in fiscal treatment of housing can play a part in making sterling fit for monetary union, and hence in allowing gilt yields to continue to converge towards German mark levels. But the ultimate cause of past house price booms was erroneous macroeconomic policy.

Provided such policy remains on track in future — which means short-term rates must lag behind declines in underlying inflation — there is little risk that sterling's ERM stability will be threatened by a new housing boom.

GILES KEATING
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John Smith's poisoned prawns

ECONOMIC VIEW

ANATOLE KALETSKY

Britain has just lived through a painful and unnecessary recession. Before this economic mishap, the government's popularity had dropped to the lowest level on record. Yet, despite the latest blip in the opinion polls, today it is the Labour leadership that seems on the verge of panic.

One day it complains of media smears against Neil Kinnock; the next it says the Governor of the Bank of England has been suborned by the Tory election machine. When Labour strategists peer at the opinion polls for blips in Mr Kinnock's popularity ratings, however, there is a far more profound problem they need to face.

Mr Kinnock is lagging 16 points behind Mr Major in the personality stakes. But surely it is more important — and far more surprising as unemployment climbs towards 3 million — that the electorate's judgment of economic competence puts the Tories 37 points ahead?

Why is the Labour Party trailing so far behind a government whose manifest economic incompetence has been advertised on television news bulletins, shrieked from newspaper headlines and ridiculed in pub conversations for two years? In a sense, the answer is obvious. Labour has offered no serious alternatives to Tory policies. But why? There is a tactical and a fundamental answer.

About two years ago, John Smith, the shadow Chancellor, and John Eatwell, Mr Kinnock's main economic adviser, took a momentous tactical decision. They decided that it was more important to impress financial opinion in the City with Mr Smith's conservatism and prudence than to excite the electorate with promises of full employment and better living standards. Mr Smith's celebrated "prawn cocktail offensive" in the City's lunch rooms was launched.

The eating of prawns was dictated partly by political calculations. A year ago, Labour was so far ahead in the opinion polls that victory in the general election was taken for granted. Displaying a combination of solipsism and hubris characteristic of Labour, the party's strategists were focusing not on how to win the election, but on how to restrain the left's demands for public spending after the inevitable victory. The Labour government, it was agreed, would start with a period of austerity to establish its credentials with the City, the unions and its own left wing.

This strategy was one of the reasons for Labour's tactically foolish commitment to keep sterling in the ERM at the present exchange rate. This commitment has worked entirely to the benefit of John Major and Norman Lamont. By promising not to devalue, Mr Smith has sustained the Tories' golden scenario of pre-election interest rate cuts. Acceptance of the ERM constraint has also made it impossible for Labour to call for more ambitious policies against recession.

But tactics aside, Labour was swallowing the prawns with genuine conviction. It was Mr Eatwell's sincere belief, picked up by Mr Smith, that full employment could not be maintained by demand management in Britain — it had been tried and had failed. In accepting this view, Mr Smith and Mr Kinnock became instant converts to the fundamental theorem of Thatcherite economics, that unemployment is caused by high wages (for a given level of skills in the workforce), not lack of demand.

But Labour's leaders became, in a sense, more Thatcherite than Mrs Thatcher. Not only did they agree that demand management was impossible, they also came to believe that consumer borrowing and spending were evil.

This attitude to personal consumption is probably connected with Labour's instinctive bias against materialism and personal wealth. It also reflects the party's remarkable propensity to keep fighting the last battle (in this case the Lawson boom) long after the enemy has moved on. Hence Mr Smith's quixotic idea of advocating credit controls in the midst of a recession and lower consumption ahead of an election campaign. Labour's policies require credit controls and a high pound to squeeze profits and wages, offset by special subsidies to protect investment from weak domestic markets and lack of competitiveness abroad. Of course, consumption and borrowing grew too fast in 1987 and 1988, but the misjudgments made by Nigel Lawson (largely because he was befuddled by the very dogmas about exchange-rate anchors now preached by Mr Smith) do not mean that rising consumption is always bad.

Three years ago, some of the policies might have proved helpful, but in the context of the present recession, this package appears absurd. What Britain needs is not to suppress consumption, but to maintain its steady growth. Consumption is the ultimate objective of economic policy. It is also the driving force of the economy: rising consumption leads to higher investment, improving productivity, growing incomes and still more consumption. This is how the wheel of capitalism goes on turning.

Government's job is to keep the wheel moving as steadily, and as rapidly, as possible. Messrs Lawson, Major and Lamont have been cack-handed operators, but at least they understood which way the wheel was supposed to turn.

Sir Leon preaches market access to converted North Americans

EC roadshow's whistle-stop tour adds to commissioner's chance of a second term

SIR Leon Brittan has taken the European Commission roadshow to North America to persuade US and Canadian business communities to open their markets in parallel with the EC's 1992 programme. At the weekend, Sir Leon, the EC's competition commissioner, spoke in Montreal, Toronto and Ottawa. He moved to Washington last night, and during the next few days will meet Alan Greenspan, the Federal Reserve chairman, Richard Breedon, the Securities and Exchange Commission chief, Jent Steiger, Federal Trade Commission chairman, and Michael Barr, the acting US Attorney General.

The whistle-stop tour will confirm the former Thatcher minister as one of the commission's most visible personalities and could increase his chances of reselection for another four years as competition commissioner, pending a Conservative victory in the general election.

Philippe Wacker of Wacker & Bates European Consultants in Brussels, who monitors Sir Leon's progress at the commission, admits the US tour will be another feather in his cap. M Wacker said: "In general, he is one of the commissioners who gets the best coverage — whatever he says."

Although the bulk of Sir Leon's business is competition related — anti-trust regulations, securities trading and banking — the tour gives him the chance to branch out into his Brussels colleagues' territories. Last night in Washington, for example, he spoke on the disintegration of the Soviet Union and appealed to the breakaway republics to consider forming an economic and political community based on the EC model, rather than head for international isolation.

Broadening Europe's horizons: Sir Leon Brittan

He said: "The history of central and eastern Europe over the past two years demonstrates the danger of abandoning all established patterns of trade at a time of fundamental polical change — throwing away the baby with the bathwater."

Sir Leon is recognised as an astute manipulator of the current political agenda, and chooses such forays into unfamiliar territory carefully. The previous weekend, at the Villa d'Este on Lake Como, Italy, he delivered a simple message to Italian businessmen on their fears of being left in the slow lane while other EC members move quickly to adopt monetary union. He told Italian government officials to consider reducing massive state handouts to industry by at least 50 per cent. That way, he said, the nation's huge public debt might be reduced and economic convergence with stronger, northern EC economies achieved. His remarks were widely reported in the Italian press. Presumably, Sir Leon hopes for a similar response in the US.

M Wacker said: "He is an astute political player if you compare him to other commissioners because he goes beyond his brief. That is, in fact, what the commissioners are meant to be able to do. They're meant to be a college, with any one member capable of taking a decision on anything."

Sir Leon's task in the US is aided by the fact that when it comes to talking about market access, he is preaching to the converted. None the less, he will urge the speeding up of bank reform, as his own EC second banking directive has already left the US in its wake in terms of open competition. Sir Leon wants European banks with subsidiaries in the US to be able to open branches wherever they want, without having to form individual units in each state.

In Canada, where banking laws are stricter and prohibit foreign banks from setting up branches, Sir Leon has already fired some warning salvos. "It is in Canada's own economic interest that this restriction should now be removed," he told businessmen in Toronto.

"Does it help Canadian business that the assets of foreign-owned banks are arbitrarily limited to an overall ceiling of 12 per cent of total domestic assets of all banks in Canada? Clearly not. Moreover, as US banks are not subject to this ceiling, it is perceived in Europe as particularly unfair."

Canadian government officials were left in little doubt: "If discrimination is found to exist it would be our intention to engage as soon as possible in consultations with the country concerned with a view to its removal. In certain extreme cases, the option is available for the commission to suspend new licence applications made by institutions of the country concerned."

M Wacker believes that while the US lacks the EC's flexibility in the banking sector, officials will not protest at going down the same road. In competition, he said, there is little prospect of confrontation. "Competition policy is now a matter of collaboration between the US and the EC. It's much more based on negotiations than multilateral action."

Ironically, it was the thwarting of aggressive takeover tactics in Europe by Philip Morris, the US company, that in 1987, helped establish Peter Sutherland, one of Sir Leon's forerunners, with the competition portfolio. Since then, there has been no call for the commission to try to prevent US companies buying into the EC, but Sir Leon will want to tighten competition policy co-operation.

Sir Leon's spokesman in Brussels said: "It's a miracle that nothing has happened since the Philip Morris case. He wants the commission to have more say in takeovers that clearly affect the Community. For example, if we'd wanted to block Delta's takeover of Pan Am, we could only have done it at the European level."

Although Sir Leon is widely perceived as doing a good and impartial job with competition policy, M Wacker cautions against a guaranteed second term of office. He cites the example of Mr Sutherland, who built Sir Leon's job up but was not reappointed because of his unpopularity with Charles Haughey's government in the Republic of Ireland. "In the end it's how well you're considered at national level that counts, and who knows how well he gets on with John Major?"

TOM WALKER
Brussels

Preston puts his stamp on Bank

LEWIS Preston, the new president of the World Bank, has moved quickly to impose his personal stamp on the Washington-based lending institution.

The key changes announced last week will consolidate his control, increase American influence on the bank and prepare for future lending to the Soviet Union and eastern Europe by opening a new regional office.

Speaking at his first public appearance since switching jobs a month ago, Mr Preston said the Bank would pursue a "reactive strategy" as the Soviet republics sort out their futures after last month's failed Kremlin coup.

Moscow has applied for associate status at the Bank, but must first be admitted into the International Monetary Fund, which forces counties to overhaul their economies before being allowed to borrow. Mr Preston said the "door is open" for full Soviet membership of the Bank later, once free-market reforms are in place. But he made no commitments about how long full membership could take.

His arrival in Washington coincides with a softening of Bush administration policy towards Soviet efforts to join the Bretton Woods financial organisations. Several days ago, senior Soviet economic officials accepted an invitation from Nicholas Brady, the American Treasury secretary, to show their economic reform plans to the finance ministers and central bank governors of the Group of Seven leading industrial nations. The top economic policymakers of Britain, America, Germany, Japan, France, Italy and Canada will review the plans at the annual meeting of the Bank and IMF in Bangkok next month.

Preston: reactive strategy

The newly independent Baltic republics of Lithuania and Estonia have already applied for membership, while Latvia has sent a letter expressing its intention to apply. Mr Preston said the changes were designed to resemble the layers of management he was used to as the chairman and chief executive of JP Morgan.

"The world has got too complicated for the Bank to continue with its old structure," he said. "It seemed to me there was considerable advantage in having a little wisdom on development lending and a little experience together with me in the office of the president."

The new president looks like an investment banker out of central casting: tall, craggy-faced, slightly stooping. He has appointed three men to work alongside him as deputies: Ernest Stern, the Bank's senior vice president for finance; Sven Sandstrom, a Swede who has directed the president's office alone; and Attila Karaosmanoglu, a Turkish national who is vice-president of the Bank's Asia regional office.

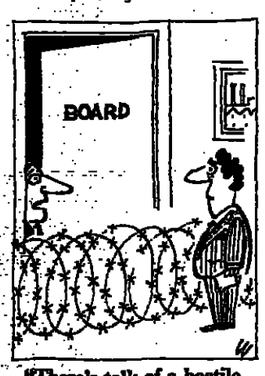
SUSAN ELLICOTT
Washington

THE TIMES CITY DIARY

Conran's new habitat

SIR Terence Conran was in sparkling form last week helping guests such as WPP's Martin Sorrell, Sir James Blyth of Boots and Peter Davis of Reed International to celebrate the opening of Font de la Tour, his new London restaurant. The complex, christened the Gastrodrome, comprises a bar and grill, oyster bar, restaurant, food shop and wine cellar, which will also function as a wine shop. Situated on the south bank of the Thames, just below Tower Bridge at Butlers Wharf, the restaurant is very Conran, large and airy with a relaxed atmosphere and French food. Head chef David Burke came from Bibendum, another Conran establishment. Sir Terence says he has been involved in all aspects of the new project and has even been found stirring the odd pot in the kitchen. And there's more: "I've helped with the computer," he says.

TIMES must be hard at Henderson Crosthwaite, the institutional broker. All plastic cups are to be removed and staff will each be issued with a mug to use with the office vending machines. For those unlucky enough to break their mugs, replacements will be provided on production of a piece of the broken one. The measures, it is estimated, will save £6,000 a year.



"There's talk of a hostile bid this week"

Thought counts

SIR Alastair Morton, group chief executive of Eurotunnel, is used to being sniped at from all sides. So what welcome relief to be praised at last for linking France and Britain — and even being awarded a prize for his efforts. Sadly, the source of the good news was neither the Confederation of British Industry nor even British Rail, but Transcendental Meditation. Sir Alastair was invited to an awards ceremony in Kent tonight, followed by the delights of choral singing, a celebration cake and a candle-lighting ceremony. He will not be able to attend, however.

Silly sausage

JAMIE Colman, a member of the eponymous mustard family, is recovering from an ordeal few people would wish on their worst enemy. Colman, whose father, Sir Michael, is chairman of Reckitt & Colman, contracted malaria on a recent trip to Zimbabwe and has been suffering from fever. At the height of his misery, he hallucinated that he had turned into a sausage — a lapse from which he has now happily recovered. "Naturally it was covered in the finest mustard," says Colman, aged 33, a training consultant to the legal profession.

Royal digs

PUBLIC relations man Anthony Cardew has found his crew a new, salubrious London home after squatting in the offices of Henry Ansbacher, one of his clients, for the past six months. Located in Suffolk Street, near the National Gallery, the grade two Georgian building belongs to the Crown estate, which has leased it to Cardew & Co for ten years at an extraordinarily reasonable rate. The house has three cellars — already well stocked — and a beautiful barrel-vaulted glass ceiling in the dining room where, in true City fashion, much of the wine will be consumed.

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REPORTING THIS WEEK

Analysts look for signs of upturn in housing sector

A NUMBER of companies in the construction and building materials sectors are likely to paint a grim picture this week, with lower profits and a continuing depressed outlook expected by the City. Analysts will be looking for signs of the long-awaited upturn, but the only area where this may arise is from companies exposed to housing or housebuilding, which could be the first to emerge from recession.

Lower domestic interest rates and house prices should help sentiment, but there is a worrying absence of confidence, exacerbated by political uncertainty and rising unemployment. Demand for heavy building materials is unlikely to pick up for some time in the United Kingdom. Companies exposed to this area will remain under pressure, compounded by a slowdown in continental Europe, with some fears that the important German market may suffer as a result of higher interest rates and taxes.

Rolls-Royce blow: Sir David Plastow of Vickers

TODAY

The first-half pre-tax profits at **ECC Group**, the world's largest supplier of china clay, are expected to fall to £40 million (£57.2 million), according to Jamie Stevenson at Kleinwort Benson. Market forecasts range from £38 million to £50 million. ECC's figures will only reflect marginally the weakness in demand because of substantial cost savings during the past year.

Analysts are looking for a relatively resilient performance from MAI, the money broker and media services group. Final pre-tax profits are expected to be between £64 million and £67 million, against £65.6 million.

Interims: BHH Group, Billam (J), ECC Group, Edinburgh Fund Managers, Fortnum & Mason, Hawtal Whiting Holdings, Hibernian Group, Korea Liberalisation Fund, Metalrax Group, PFG Hodgson Kenyon International, Quarto Group, Rutland Trust, Schroders.

Finals: Alliance Resources, Ardagh, Bryant Group, Courtyard Leisure, Foster's Brewing, GT Japan Investment Trust, Lloyd Thompson, MAI, Polypipe, Unigroup.

Economic statistics: Food facts (second quarter); CBI monthly trends enquiry (September); balance of payments, current account and overseas trade figures (August); gross domestic product (second quarter – provisional).

TOMORROW

Interim pre-tax profits at **Brent Chemicals International** are expected to slip to about £5 million, against £6.8 million, according to John Dorée, a chemicals analyst at Hoare Govett.

Tarmac, the construction materials group which is Britain's biggest housebuilder, will suffer a substantial, but anticipated, decline in profits. Interim pre-tax profits are expected to plunge to £35 million (£97.8 million), according to Kleinwort Benson. Market forecasts range from £20 million to £50 million. Earnings per share of 2p (8.4p) are expected, although the interim dividend should be maintained at 3p.

Bad weather in the first quarter and the lack of a housing recovery will be responsible. However, attention will be on current and future trading, with the group's volume-led housing strategy likely to mean that Tarmac will be one of the first to benefit from a recovery in housing.

Interims: Brent Chemicals International, Dunloe House Group, Garton Engineering, Henderson Highland Trust, Holt (Joseph), Jove Investment Trust, Mayborn Group, Meggitt, Ross Group, Tarmac, Wolstenholme Rink.

Finals: Everest Foods, Hays, Mucklow (A&J) Group, Sunset & Vine.

WEDNESDAY

Geest, the fresh produce and prepared foods group which is the largest importer of bananas in the United Kingdom, is expected to announce first-half pre-tax profits of £14.8 million, slightly up from £14.1 million, according to Julian Lakin at Smith New Court. Market forecasts range from £14 million to £15.2 million. Earnings per share are forecast at 14.5p (13.7p), with an interim dividend of 3.4p (3.25p).

Interims: Boddington Group, BSG International, Clifford Foods, Dagenham Motors Group, Dencora, EFM Income Trust, Enterprise Computer Holdings, Fired Earth Tiles, Geest, Hogg Group, Johnston Press, Spirax-Sarco Engineering, T&S Stores.

Finals: Baillie Gifford Japan Trust, Cornwell Parker, Gent (SR), Oceonics Group.

Economic statistics: Building societies' monthly figures (August); cross-border acquisitions and mergers (second quarter); construction – new orders (July – provisional); half-yearly engineering economic trends report from the Engineering Employers' Federation.

THURSDAY

UBS Phillips & Drew expects the interim pre-tax profits at **United Newspapers**, the publisher of the *Daily Express*, *Sunday Express* and *Daily Star*, to drop to £36 million, against £56.5 million. Market forecasts range from £35 million to £42 million. Profits will have been depressed by sharply lower advertising revenues, particularly affecting regional newspapers, periodicals and magazines.

Sir David Plastow, the chairman of **Vickers**, the diversified engineering group which has Rolls-Royce cars as a subsidiary, is expected to report a slump in first-half profits, burdened by an estimated £20 million loss at Rolls-Royce brought on by exceptional redundancy and rationalisation costs.

County NatWest WoodMac forecasts pre-tax profits of £4 million, against £39.8 million. Earnings per share are expected to dive to 1p (10.7p), although the interim dividend should be held at 3.7p. Market forecasts range from break-even to profits of £10 million.

Barratt Developments, the housebuilder, issued a warning recently that it would report losses approaching £100 million for the year to end-June and that it was unable to pay a final dividend. This compares with last time's profit of £30.2 million. Attention will focus on prospects as well as the balance sheet.

Redland, the building materials supplier, is expected to report a fall in pre-tax profits to £77 million for the first half (£108 million), according to UBS Phillips & Drew. Market forecasts range from £75 million to £85 million.

United Kingdom operations, accounting for about 35 per cent of profits, are expected to decline by more than 50 per cent, excluding any land sales. P&D says bricks will be the worst affected, but aggregates and roof tile volumes will also be sharply down.

Interims: Antofagasta, Bilston & Battersea Enamels, Clarkson (Horace), Hay (Norman), Ibstock Johnsen.

Finals: Barratt Developments, Brierley Investments, Eleco Holdings, Frogmore Estates, Hidong Estate.

Economic statistics: Capital expenditure and stockbuilding (second quarter – revised); new earnings survey 1991 Part A: Streamlined and summary analyses; description of the survey energy trends (July).

FRIDAY

Interims: Aran Energy, Bermuda International Bond Fund, Brown & Jackson, Bullers, Burns-Anderson, Central Independent Television, Clayform Properties, Evered Bardon, Jakarta Fund (Cayman), Microvitec, More O'Ferrall.

Finals: Adwest Group, Armour Trust, Bailey (Ben) Construction, China & Eastern Investment Company, Dana Exploration, Goodwin, Sinclair Goldsmith Holdings.

Economic statistics: Insurance and pensions (second quarter); personal income, expenditure and savings (second quarter); industrial and commercial companies (second quarter).

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National Westminster Bank

National Westminster Bank announces that with effect from Monday 30 September 1991 its Gold Plus interest rates will be amended as follows: borrowing up to and including £10,000 reduced from 14% to 13.5% p.a. Unauthorised borrowing over £10,000 remains unchanged at 22.5% p.a.

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SMALLER COMPANIES

Modest minnows outperform market

IT HAS been so long coming that it almost defies belief. But the fact is that shares in smaller companies are at long last beginning to stir from their recessionary slumber.

While the FT-SE 100 index has risen by 20.5 per cent since the start of the year, Hoare Govett's closely followed smaller companies' index has advanced by 22.1 per cent after another strong week.

The outperformance is modest and the gap that opened up in 1989 and 1990 is still wide. But it is beginning to look as if smaller companies are undervalued and that investors are being tempted back into the market.

John Houlihan, the smaller companies analyst at Hoare Govett, is a happy man. Not since 1965 and 1966 has the index underperformed the rest of market in consecutive years and never has it underperformed for three years running. Even so, in the opening weeks of 1991 it took a brave man to forecast a recovery in the final quarter.

Cast your mind back to January when the recession appeared to tighten its grip and the threat of a prolonged confrontation in the Gulf depressed consumer demand even further. Yet in the 27 days after January 29 the index rose by a surprising 27 per cent. Then the market chose to focus on prospects for the domestic economy and smaller companies were once again at the receiving end.

The irony is that few companies hold hopes of a recovery in the early months of 1992. In addition, experience suggests that the threat of failures will, if anything, rise next year when companies become overstretched as they struggle to cope with an increase in orders.

So despite the encouraging share performance, the smaller companies sector is still full of pitfalls for investors. Balance sheets still hold the key, although the focus is likely to switch away from companies that are cash-positive, and whose shares are generally already fully valued, to those with sustainable gearing levels and strong interest cover.

It is also likely that companies that felt the impact of the recession last, such as suppliers of capital goods, will also be among the last to enjoy the benefits of a recovery. By contrast, consumer-related stocks such as retailers and their suppliers, could be early beneficiaries.

Best value should be found among leisure and media-related stocks, who number among the worst performers during the recession. Lower interest rates mean greater disposable income, and after the despondency of the past 24 months the build-up to Christmas could be interesting. More cautious investors should consider investment trusts specialising in smaller companies, and generally trading at a discount to net asset value.

MARTIN BARROW

UNLISTED SECURITIES

Capitalisation £	Company	Price last Friday	Ch'ge on week	Gross div pence	Div Yld %	P/E
1,008,000	ASB Barnett	13	..	..	..	..
22.3m	ASD	76	..	..	..	5.4
2,071,000	ATA Selection	13	..	..	..	..
1,993,000	Abacus Group	2	..	..	..	..
6,867,000	Aberdeen Pet	13	-1	..	..	17.8
2,400,000	Aberdeen Stk Hse	20	..	..	..	37.7
27.5m	Acid	200	+2	7.2	3.6	9.8
8,631,000	Acorn Comp	13	..	..	..	..
22.0m	Alan Paul	88	+4	4.6	5.2	8.5
1,361,000	Albrighton	22	-7	..	..	..
26.9m	Allen	183	..	9.5	5.0	9.9
2,129,000	Amberley Gp	33	● ..	2.0	6.1	18.1
12.4m	Anglo Pac Res	18	..	..	..	..
1,986,000	Apollo Watch Prods	2¾	..	..	..	3.0
14.1m	App Holographics	71	+17	..	..	..
39.0m	Ashtead	174	●-17	5.5b	3.2	12.1
18.1m	Aspen Comms	140	-5	10.8b	7.7	5.8
242.7m	Asprey	300	..	6.5	2.1	18.1
701,000	Assoc Energy	2¾	..	..	..	..
2,573,000	Assoc Farmers	2050	+2	..	..	..
3,870,000	Assoc Nursing	71	..	4.0	5.6	8.2
—	Atlantic Sec	..	..	..	..	..
84.8m	Atlas Equipment	603	+8	28.0	3.2	16.3
—	Audit General	..	..	..	..	..
1,768,000	Automagic	31	..	1.9	6.1	8.3
1,408,000	BBB Design	17	+2	2.6e	16.6	2.1
1,119,000	BCE	4	+1½	..	..	..
2,216,000	BLP Group	31	..	1.7	5.5	..
9,293,000	BMC	46	● ..	2.7	5.9	13.9
3,440,000	Bawarco	39	r +5	0.6e	2.1	10.8
10.8m	Bedlanchem	24	+1	1.3	5.4	3.8
1,330,000	Bedford (William)	28	..	..	..	..
9,902,000	Bensons Crisps	127	● ..	3.8	3.0	10.2
3,594,000	Berry Birch & Noble	57	+2	2.0	3.6	18.5
2,824,000	BSG International	67	..	4.0	6.0	13.4
4,634,000	Bio Isolates	24	..	..	..	13.0
4,076,000	Blackfriar Motors	137	●-2	10.5	7.7	10.3
2,688,000	Bluebird Toys	34	+3	..	..	7.1
5,667,000	Border TV	66	●-3	2.8	5.0	8.3
376.4m	Borland	228½	-½	..	..	..
18.7m	Bowmore Intl	182	..	8.5	4.7	9.0
1,828,000	Br Bloodstock	42	+1	..	..	..
2,751,000	Br Thornton	16	+1	..	..	..
10.8m	Bula Resources	2	..	..	..	..
7,998,000	Business Tech	42	..	2.0	4.8	18.2
—	CCS Gp	..	..	..	..	..
38.1m	CML Micro	220	-1	3.9	1.8	12.5
3,832,000	CPU Comp	21	+1	..	..	..
19.1m	Cap & Regional	111	+1	1.2	1.1	..
32.5m	Capita Gp	218	r ..	7.2	3.3	18.2
10.2m	Carron Phoenix	90	..	1.8	2.0	76.0
2,700,000	Cassidy Bros	50	..	2.0	4.0	11.2
13.9m	Castle Comm	223	..	11.3	5.1	9.3
15.0m	Central Motor	113	● ..	4.7	4.2	10.9
2,882,000	Charbwell	43	..	1.9	4.3	8.6
8,867,000	Chieftain Group	104	● ..	6.1	5.8	13.8
—	City & West	..	..	..	..	..
4,159,000	City of Lon	54	-1	4.1	7.6	8.6
—	Clarke Foods	..	..	2.7	..	..
14.0m	Clarke Hooper	65	●+5	5.9	9.1	8.0
—	Clearmark	..	..	..	..	..
6,415,000	Colorgen Inc	28	+1	..	..	..
24.5m	Colourfashion	121	-14	7.5	6.2	10.8
573,000	Co of Designers	5	..	..	..	..
1,926,000	Comac	30	+4	..	..	..
30.5m	Conroy Pet	72	-3	..	..	..
5,895,000	Cook (DQ)	31	●-2	1.3	4.2	..
4,070,000	Cooper Clarke	22	..	1.8	8.2	9.2
6,498,000	Copymore	60	●-1	3.6	6.0	12.1
11.0m	Corp Services	2½	..	..	..	..
19.1m	Crampharn	116	●-1	2.7	2.3	28.2
1,778,000	Cranbrook	18	..	..	..	..
9,565,000	Cranswick	126	+2	9.7	5.9	9.4
6,291,000	Craton Lodge	2	..	..	..	..
8,530,000	Creighton Nic	168	..	8.3	4.4	18.7
16.0m	Crossroads Oil Gp	38	..	..	..	37.1
15.0m	Crown Com.	55	..	..	..	..
2,528,000	Crown Eye	158	●+25	4.7	3.0	14.1
939,000	Davies (DY)	16	-2	..	..	..
4,930,000	Delmar	70	..	..	..	14.1
6,712,000	Dennims Elec	155	-5	7.5	4.8	11.9
—	Diamond Gp	..	..	1.5f	..	..
41.1m	Druck	650	+25	11.7	1.8	16.8
2,898,000	Dunton	6	..	..	..	..
5,884,000	Dudley Jenkins	94	..	5.3	5.6	27.8
3,991,000	Durham (DG)	20	..	2.7	13.5	-
9,594,000	EW Fact	130	+6	5.1	3.9	14.2
4,286,000	Eadie	16	+3	..	..	..
2,497,000	EFG	18	+2	..	..	..
1,728,000	EIT Gp	16	+1	..	..	..
2,769,000	Edin Oil & Gas	16½	..	..	..	..
20.5m	Eldridge Pope 'A'	100	-1	2.7	2.5	..
25.2m	Epwin	160	● ..	8.5	5.3	10.4
22.3m	Eve Group	236	+1	12.3	5.2	8.3
7,199,000	Expedier Plc	18	●+1	1.3	8.1	5.2
16.3m	Exploura Hldgs	15½	+1	..	..	..
59.0m	Fairbairn Intl	25¾	-1¾	..	..	..
18.2m	Fairway London	62	●+1	4.0	6.5	14.5
40.8m	Farepak	375	● ..	10.3	2.7	17.2
5,999,000	Faupel	70	..	6.6	8.6	8.0
2,080,000	Feedback	24	..	0.7	2.9	11.1
5,105,000	Ferromet	2½	+¼	..	..	13.2
15.0m	Field (Wm)	10	..	..	..	..
5,579,000	Flotex	25	..	..	..	..
2,004,000	Firthland	9	..	..	..	..
35.8m	Fleldall	110	● ..	2.0	1.8	8.4
5,088,000	Forward Gp	70	..	2.9	4.1	10.6
8,575,000	Freemans Gp	101	..	11.3	11.2	8.5
7,299,000	French Conn	45	-1	9.6	7.8	35.7
88.1m	Fuller Smith 'A'	427	..	8.1	1.9	17.6
4,604,000	GCF Gp	201½	..	2.5	..	..
7,489,000	Gwen Gp	247	● ..	2.7	1.1	18.2
8,683,000	Gabicci	74	+14	5.7	7.7	8.4
7,245,000	Gibbon Lyons	80	r ..	8.0	10.0	8.2
7,841,000	Gibbs New	142	● ..	8.0	6.3	..
22.8m	Global Gp	19	+2	0.7	3.7	8.3
27.4m	Great Southern	232	+13	11.7	5.0	17.4
9,937,000	Green (Ernest)	129	+8	9.3	7.2	7.1
4,495,000	Greenalls	6½	..	0.3	4.6	18.1
280,000	Greenwich Comms	4	..	..	..	..
1,850,000	Guildhouse	7	..	0.1	1.4	..
8,185,000	Hadleigh Inds	113	..	8.7	7.7	7.3
3,310,000	Halls Homes	7	..	1.3	18.6	..
3,443,000	Hampton Nurseries	23	..	0.3	1.3	11.1
8,794,000	Handley Walker	121	..	10.7	8.8	8.1
3,199,000	Harmony Leisure	12	..	..	..	..
4,731,000	Hawthorn Leslie	2½	+½	..	..	..
4,394,000	Hawtryes	190	..	4.1	2.2	29.9
6,606,000	do 'A' LV	145	..	4.1	2.8	16.2
1,184,000	Heritage	22	-1	..	..	..
2,640,000	Hey & Croft	21	+1	..	..	..
1,985,000	Hilcora	88	●+19	0.7	1.0	11.5
3,202,000	Hobson	6	..	..	..	..
2,152,000	Holders Tech	69	..	6.0	11.8	9.3
2,274,000	Honeysuckle Gp	28	..	..	..	..
15.0m	Hornby	182	-7	12.0	6.6	8.2
—	Hughes Food	..	..	..	..	..
23.3m	Hurdleigh Tech	270	-2	4.7	1.7	21.8
3,507,000	INSTEM	78	..	3.8	4.9	5.3
14.4m	Inoco	7	..	..	..	..
24.7m	Intercare	123	r -1	2.3	1.9	33.2
48.7m	Interlink Express	309	+43	11.2	3.7	12.6
6,624,000	Intl Comm & Data	16	..	..	..	7.2
4,590,000	Intl Media	2	..	..	..	..
9,876,000	Intl Resort	41	+2	..	..	4.4
1,547,000	IMD Group	2	+½	..	..	..
792,000	Kemp (PE)	8	..	..	..	..
5,283,000	Kenmare Res	11	+½	..	..	..
27.4m	Kewill Systems	284	+13	6.7	2.4	8.0
4,313,000	LPA Ind	46	..	4.7	8.8	8.5
16.5m	Lambert	230	●-5	15.5	5.3	8.4
3,221,000	Laser-Scan	20	+1	..	..	4.2
10.8m	LBMS Plc	76	+6	0.5	0.6	..
1,511,000	LGW	34	..	1.3	3.8	..
5,105,000	Lincat	73	..	6.8	9.3	5.3
444,000	Lincoln Hse	2¾	..	..	..	..
11.2m	Lon & Clydeside	124	..	9.3	7.5	5.4
130.0m	Lon Forfaiting	190	-1	9.7	7.5	22.6
9,661,000	MMT Comp	88	..	4.0	4.7	8.4
41.8m	MTL Instruments	238	●+25	4.1	1.7	17.5
10.3m	Magnetic Materials	56	..	4.0	7.1	9.6
—	March Gp	..	..	..	..	..
12.8m	Mayborn	68	+4	5.1	7.7	10.8
41.9m	Mentor-Swain	305	●+1	8.7	3.2	12.8
27.4m	Merryview Wine	425	● ..	9.3	2.2	21.2
17.3m	Metal Bulletin	189	●+6	9.2	4.9	16.5
21.4m	Mewac	139	+6	6.5	6.1	8.1
12.9m	Microleo	93	..	5.5n	5.9	10.1
10.3m	Microvitec	16½	+6	0.4	2.4	..
14.7m	Midland Scot Res	92	..	..	..	..
2,828,000	Miskin Gp	15	..	2.8	18.7	3.8
5,779,000	Morris Ashby	83	●+5	5.5	6.6	10.8
16.0m	Mowat	9½	..	..	..	52.8
16.9m	New England Props	17	+3	..	..	14.9
270,000	Do 10%	230	..	1000	11.1	..
3,119,000	Norbain	45	●+1	0.9	2.0	10.9
10.8m	Northumbrian Fine	46	-1	2.5	5.0	..
8,298,000	Osborne & Little	88	..	5.8	6.5	10.0
8,189,000	PCT	138	●+8	8.7	6.3	12.6
3,581,000	Pacer Systems	68	..	..	..	..
2,775,000	Paramount	7½	..	..	..	9.9
1,989,000	Pathfinders	6¼	-¼	..	..	25.0
8,462,000	Pegasus	150	..	16.1	10.7	5.2
13.7m	Penna	269	..	16.0	6.2	10.0
31.0m	Pepe Group	115	●-2	5.8	4.8	11.0
38.9m	Pict Pet	100	-2	..	..	15.7
2,280,000	Plasmec	49	● ..	2.7	5.5	18.1
2,770,000	Platon	25	..	..	..	..
3,392,000	Porth Gp	17	+1	1.7	10.0	..
24.0m	Porvair	115	●-2	4.1	3.6	9.9
5,088,000	Prima Leisure	120	..	6.6	5.2	10.5
0,027,0m	Property Trust	1	..	..	..	..
12.8m	Pelon	58	●+17	3.2	5.5	59.2
11.6m	QuiSpot	40	●+8	2.0	5.0	15.6
1,977,000	RMT Gp	4½	-½	..	..	..
17.9m	Radio Clyde	276	+5	11.0	4.0	12.7
13.0m	Radius	48	● ..	3.5	7.5	7.8
11.8m	Ramco Oil	69	+3	2.7	3.8	16.8
3,101,000	Ramus	67	..	..	..	..
25.3m	Rathbone Bros	325	+2	11.3	3.5	15.8
7,350,000	Real Time Control	105	●+2	4.0	3.8	9.6
695,000	Regal Hotels	6½	-1½	7.8	..	..
2,283,000	Regina Health	2¼	-¼	..	..	..
30.0m	Reliance Sec	258	●+6	11.2	4.2	13.8
2,082,000	Rentaminster	16	..	..	..	..
8,980,000	Rive	38	..	..	..	21.3
60.7m	Resort Hotels	91	●+1	4.5n	4.9	10.1
9,460,000	RPS Group	79	●-3	4.3	5.4	8.4
3,754,000	SEP Indl	11	..	..	..	4.3
—	SPS Consultancy	..	..	..	..	..
1,000,000	Sendell	40	+16	..	..	..
16.3m	Savage	43	..	..	..	..
6,279,000	Scot Heritable	17½	+½	..	..	..
9,992,000	Beacon	104	● ..	5.1	4.9	7.8
14.4m	App Archives	231	..	10.7	4.8	19.3
1,506,000	Select App	7	+2	..	..	..
4,701,000	Serif Consts	19	..	2.7	14.2	7.2
6,286,000	Severfield-Reeve	60	●+8	4.0	6.7	5.8
3,860,000	Sheldon Jones	75	..	6.8	9.1	7.8
2,400,000	Shelton (Martin)	48	-1	2.3	4.8	10.1
4,257,000	Sheriff Hldgs	66	..	2.7	4.1	5.9
6,294,000	Sherwood Comp	122	●+5	7.0	5.7	6.8
99.7m	Sherwood Group	620	+15	12.1	2.0	16.8
2,425,000	Shorco	81	●+1	8.9	8.5	3.0
3,360,000	Soundtracks	33	● ..	2.9	8.8	8.9
33.2m	Spandex	310	..	7.5	2.4	12.7
5,908,000	Speedwave	46	+1	..	..	16.8
1,433,000	Stainless Metal	25	..	1.3e	5.2	..
56.0m	Stanhope Props	35	+2	0.1	0.3	7.1
9,851,000	Sterling Pub	38	● ..	3.3	8.7	..
10.8m	Sterling Tst	30	+4	2.7	5.4	6.3
9,994,000	Sunleigh Elect	15	..	..	..	..
36.4m	Sutherland	72	● ..	2.4	3.3	18.3
540,000	TDS Circuits	8	..	..	..	..
5,082,000	TLS Range	30	+1	..	..	6.7
65.7m	TV-am	123	+2	16.7	14.5	5.2
5,808,000	Teradx	18	+1	..	..	9.2
4,824,000	Tinsley (Eliza)	67	●-1	8.9	10.3	8.5
7,484,000	Thorn	69	+1	4.0	5.8	12.8
3,105,000	Torex Hire	31	+1	..	..	9.8
1,600,000	Total Systems	15	..	..	..	20.5
—	Transwood	..	..	..	..	..
11.7m	Transworld	105	+6	..	..	..
7,155,000	Treatt	76	●+6	4.3	5.7	10.4
8,948,000	Trencherwood	38	-2	..	..	..
3,854,000	Trevian Hldgs	38	●+2	1.3	3.7	..
5,839,000	Triflex	10	..	..	..	..
8,891,000	Tubular Edgin	1¼	+¼	..	..	5.5
1,815,000	Tudor	32	..	3.6	11.3	9.7
9,628,000	Unit Group	65	-1	..	..	..
3,462,000	Usher (Frank)	50	+16	6.0	12.0	4.5
1,088,000	Venture Plant	7	-3	..	..	..
4,947,000	VTR Plc	55	-5	4.5	8.2	5.3
17.0m	Vetco	14	-½	0.3	2.1	14.9
5,314,000	Wansum	71	..	4.7	8.6	11.0
21.1m	Wentworth	19	● ..	0.1	0.5	11.2
3,783,000	Wescol	36	..	..	..	20.2
4,839,000	Westport	4	..	..	..	..
5,598,000	West Scaffold	33	+3	2.7	8.2	41.3
2,880,000	Wheelgate	12	-½	..	..	37.5
3,604,000	Whinney Mackay	42	● ..	2.7	6.4	7.8
5,251,000	Wood John D & Co	64	..	2.0	3.1	..
2,800,000	Wid of Leather	35	-1	..	..	..
38.5m	Wyevale	187	● ..	6.3	3.4	22.2
11.8m	Wylco	52	● ..	3.7	7.1	11.4
5,397,000	XCL Sunrise	3	+½	..	..	..
10.7m	Xim-vision	7	+1	..	..	..
11.4m	Young Group	120	●-2	8.9	5.8	13.4

INVESTMENT TRUSTS

Capitalisation £	Company	Price last Friday	Ch'ge on week	Gross div pence	Div Yld %	P/E
668.7m	Alliance	213½	● ..	54.7	4.9	33.9
150.6m	Amer Trust	182½	●+½	6.3	3.5	44.6
324.3m	Ang & O'seas	264	+2	8.2	2.9	43.0
16.8m	Anglo Scot Inv Tst	64	..	6.0	7.1	16.4
51.2m	SZW Com	102	●-1	10.5	10.1	11.6
179.5m	Bankers	116	-2	4.1	3.5	38.1
7,543,000	Berry Starq	145	+1	2.4e	1.7	34.8
341.7m	Br Assets	89	● ..	6.3b	6.0	28.5
99.5m	Br Empire Sec	52½	-½	1.0	1.9	57.3
1,598,000	do Wnts	12	..	..	..	..
458.5m	Br Inv	735	+5	30.0	4.1	28.8
108.2m	Brunner	188	-1	6.1b	3.7	31.8
51.8m	City & Comm	214¼	..	..	..	..
34.4m	Cont Asset	159	-4	0.9	0.6	..
28.2m	Derby Inc	238	..	34.2	16.1	13.5
24.8m	Do Cap	182	..	..	..	..
86.8m	Drayton Asia	86½	-2½	0.9	1.0	67.4
83.8m	Drayton Cons	245	+26	22.7	9.3	14.4
38.7m	Drayton Eng Intl	64	-1	4.3	6.7	20.2
110.0m	Drayton Far East	103	-1½	0.8	0.8	..
182.4m	Dunedin Inc Gth	576	●-6	32.5b	5.6	22.9
188.3m	Dunedin Worldwide	505	-3	12.0	2.4	47.2
44.6m	Dundee & Lon	366	..	18.0	6.0	21.8
10.0m	EFM Inc Tst	68	..	..	..	..
8,187,000	EFM Inc Ndw Pf	41¼	+¼	..	..	..
705.1m	Edinburgh	240	-1	16.3	4.8	29.7
110.3m	Electric Gen	122	● ..	4.0b	3.3	37.2
118.4m	English Scot	74	●-5	2.9	3.1	26.0
62.3m	Enigh	17½	-½	1.7	9.7	13.5
55.3m	European Asset	222	●-1	..	..	..
95.1m	F & C Eurotrust	162	-2	1.5	0.9	..
40.0m	For & Col Germany	104	-1	0.3e	0.3	..
205.3m	For & Col Pacific	193	-2	2.1	1.1	74.5
85.0m	For & Col Smaller	95½	-1	2.2	2.3	49.2
6,187,000	First Charlotte	8¼	+¼	0.3	3.8	43.4
128.4m	Fleming American	194	+1	3.3	1.8	56.5
71.8m	Fleming Claver	339	+2	13.3	3.7	33.1
64.9m	Fleming Enterprise	182	●+1	5.7	3.5	34.0
331.1m	Fleming Far East	219	-3	2.7	1.2	98.5
20.8m	Fleming Fledgeling	238	+3½	4.0	1.7	67.4
28.9m	Fleming High Inc	95	● ..	7.7	8.1

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No.	Company	Group	Gain or loss
1	First Tech	Electricals	
2	Vinces	Industrials S-Z	
3	Tay Homes	Building,Roads	
4	Castings	Industrials A-D	
5	Volex	Electricals	
6	TI	Industrials S-Z	
7	Photo-Me	Industrials L-R	
8	GKN	Industrials E-K	
9	Young 'A'	Breweries	
10	Cater Allen	Banks,Discount	
11	Nurdin & Peacock	Foods	
12	Gestetner	Industrials E-K	
13	BWI	Industrials A-D	
14	Canning (W)	Chemicals,Plas	
15	Bulmer (H P)	Breweries	
16	Prowting	Building,Roads	
17	Countryside	Building,Roads	
18	Kleinwort Benson	Banks,Discount	
19	King & Shaxson	Banks,Discount	
20	Jones Stroud	Electricals	
21	Eurotherm	Electricals	
22	Hartstone	Drapery,Stores	
23	Granada	Industrials E-K	
24	Community Hospital	Industrials A-D	
25	Amber Day	Drapery,Stores	
26	Morrison (W)	Foods	
27	Jones & Shipman	Industrials E-K	
28	ERF	Motors,Aircraft	
29	Etam	Drapery,Stores	
30	Carlton Comm	Leisure	
31	Fired Earth Tiles	Drapery,Stores	
32	FKI	Electricals	
33	Ranger	Oil,Gas	
34	Allied Lon	Property	
35	Cantors 'A'	Drapery,Stores	
36	Grampian	Leisure	
37	Cresta	Industrials A-D	
38	Booth Inds	Industrials A-D	
39	Hepworth	Industrials E-K	
40	Herring Son	Property	
41	Johnson & FB	Industrials E-K	
42	Christies Int	Industrials A-D	
43	Prop Security	Property	
44	Porter Chadburn	Industrials L-R	

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Weekly Dividend

Please make a note of your daily totals for the weekly dividend of £4,000 in Saturday's newspaper.

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Six readers share the weekly Portfolio Platinum prize of £20,000 this week, each winning £3,333.33. They are: Mr Alan Ferguson of Edinburgh; Mr Andrew Fundalski of Penarth, South Glamorgan; Mr Anthony Coley of Wilmslow, Cheshire; Mr Ray Widdowson of Swindon, Wiltshire; Mr Tony Jupp of Merriott, Somerset and Mr Donald Manning, of Weston-super-Mare, Avon.

BRITISH FUNDS

Stock outstanding £	Stock	Price last Friday	Ch'ge on week	Int only yld%	Gross Red yld%
SHORTS (Under Five Years)					
1343m	Treas 9% 1991	99½	..	..	..
1533m	Exch 11% 1991	100¼	+¼	11.0	..
2194m	Treas 11¾% 1991	99⅞	..	11.8	..
482m	Treas 3% 1992	98½	..	3.1	..
1534m	Treas 8% 1992	99	+¼	8.1	..
1600m	Conv 10% 1992	100	..	10.0	..
1295m	Treas C101¼% 1992	100¼	..	10.5	..
1379m	Exch 12¼% 1992	102¼	..	12.0	..
751m	Treas 12¾% 1992	100⅞	..	12.6	..
1824m	Exch 13½% 1992	102⅝	..	13.0	..
589m	Fund 9% 1993	94½	..	9.3	..
785m	Treas 8¼% 1993	98¼	+¼	8.4	..
1880m	Treas 10% 1993	100½	+¼	9.9	..
1150m	Treas 12½% 1993	104½	+¼	12.0	..
1147m	Treas 13¾% 1993	107⅝	..	12.8	..
1760m	Treas 9¾% 1994	97⅞	..	9.7	..
1770m	Treas 9% 1994	98¼	..	9.2	..
1917m	Treas 10% 1994	100¼	..	9.9	..
1327m	Exch 12¼% 1994	107	..	11.7	..
1195m	Exch 13½% 1994	109⅝	..	12.4	..
907m	Treas 14¾% 1994	110¾	+¼	13.1	..
199m	Gas 3% 1990-95	87½	+¼	3.4	..
2297m	Exch 10¼% 1995	102	..	10.0	..
2505m	Treas 12% 1995	109⅝	..	11.3	..
923m	Treas 12¾% 1995	110¼	..	11.6	..
FIVE TO FIFTEEN YEARS					
742m	Treas 9% 1992-96	99	+¼	9.1	..
1122m	Conv 10% 1995	101⅝	..	9.8	..
1219m	Conv 10% 1996 B	101½	..	9.8	..
861m	Exch 13¼% 1996	112⅝	+¼	11.8	..
879m	Treas 14% 1996	114¼	..	12.3	..
1375m	Treas 15¼% 1996	119⅝	..	12.7	..
3419m	Treas 9¾% 1997	98⅝	+¼	9.1	..
3424m	Exch 10½% 1997	103⅝	+¼	10.1	..
1473m	Treas 13¼% 1997	114¼	+¼	11.6	..
1021m	Exch 15% 1997	123	+¼	12.2	..
867m	Treas 9¾% 1998-98	98⅝	+¼	7.8	..
3075m	Exch 9¾% 1998	100¼	+¼	9.7	..
4370m	Exch 12% 1998	111¾	+¼	10.7	..
1204m	Treas 15¼% 1998	129⅝	+¼	12.0	..
1452m	Treas 9¾% 1999	100⅝	..	9.5	..
1757m	Conv 10¼% 1999	103½	+¼	9.9	..
1311m	Treas 10¼% 1999	104⅝	+¼	10.0	..
3291m	Exch 12¼% 1999	113½	+¼	10.8	..
2786m	Conv 9% 2000	97⅝	+¼	9.2	..
3768m	Treas 13% 2000	118⅝	+¼	10.8	..
695m	Conv 9¾% 2001	99⅝	..	11.2	..
4018m	Treas 10% 2001	102½	+¼	9.7	..
881m	Treas 10% 2001 a	90⅝	..	11.1	..
1162m	Treas 14% 1998-01	119⅝	+¼	11.7	..
72m	Exch 9% 2002	91⅝	..	11.0	..
3144m	Treas 9¾% 2002	101½	+¼	9.6	..
518m	Conv 10% 2002	97⅝	..	11.4	..
1785m	Treas 10% 2003	103⅝	+¼	9.6	..
61m	Treas 13¼% 2003-05	117⅝	..	11.7	..
275m	Fund 3½% 1999-04	62	+¼	5.8	..
1718m	Conv 9½% 2004	100½	+¼	9.5	..
1795m	Treas 11¼% 2001-04	110⅝	+¼	10.4	..
3453m	Conv 9½% 2005	100½	+¼	9.3	..
2664m	Treas 12¼% 2003-05	121	+½	10.3	..
OVER FIFTEEN YEARS					
1594m	Treas 8% 2002-06	88½	+¼	9.6	..
1572m	Exch 9½% 2007	93½	+¼	10.1	..
3632m	Treas 11¾% 2003-07	116¼	+½	10.2	..
1756m	Treas 9% 2008	97½	+¼	9.2	..
948m	Treas 9% 2008 C	94½	..	9.5	..
1610m	Treas 13¼% 2004-08	129½	+¼	10.5	..
886m	Treas 8% 2009	88⅝	+¼	9.0	..
217m	Conv 9% 2011	97½	+¼	9.2	..
——	Conv 9% 2011 PP	30¾	..	9.5	..
——	9% 2011 A	87⅝	+¼	9.2	..
658m	Treas 5¾% 2006-12	65⅝	+¼	8.4	..
598m	Treas 7¼% 2012-15	85¼	+¼	8.4	..
1247m	Exch 12% 2013-17	124⅝	+1	9.6	..
UNDATED					
71m	Consols 2½%	26	..	9.6	..
125m	Treas 2½%	25¾	..	9.7	..
17m	Treas 3%	30½	..	9.8	..
62m	Conv 3½%	39⅝	..	8.6	..
150m	Consols 4%	41½	+¼	9.6	..
710m	War Ln 3½%	37½	+¼	9.4	..
INDEX-LINKED					
862m	Treas IL 2% 1992	132¾	..	2.0	..
805m	Treas IL 2% 1994	121½	+¼	2.1	..
1750m	Treas IL 2% 1996	175	+¼	2.3	..
1440m	Treas IL 2½% 2001	144	..	2.9	..
1121m	Treas IL 2½% 2003	140½	..	3.0	..
1706m	Treas IL 2% 2006	142	..	2.7	..
1235m	Treas IL 2½% 2008	130	..	3.2	..
1945m	Treas IL 3½% 2011	134½	..	3.5	..
441m	Treas IL 2½% 2013	110½	+¼	3.4	..
1998m	Treas IL 2½% 2016	117½	+¼	3.5	..
1639m	Treas IL 2½% 2020	112¾	+¼	3.5	..
843m	Treas IL 2½% 2024	93⅝	+¼	3.6	..

BANKS, DISCOUNT, HP

Capitalisation £	Company	Price last Friday	Ch'ge on week	Gross div pence	Div Yld %	P/E
3,891.0m	Abbey National	287	●+1	13.1	4.4	10.3
1,151.1m	Allied Irish	177	+2	..	..	..
80.4m	Anglocher (Henry)	43	+9	2.0	4.7	..
1,753.0m	Aus New Z	172	-1	..	..	..
4,973.9m	Bankamerica	223	-1	..	..	..
568.1m	Bank of Ireland	138	..	..	..	..
134.3m	Bank Leumi Israel	119	..	..	..	..
25.3m	Bank Leumi UK	340	..	21.3	6.3	4.8
1,375.0m	Bank Of Scotland	120	+3	5.4	4.5	16.2
22.7m	Bank Of Wales	71	..	3.7	5.2	..
7,307.0m	Barclays	403	●-6	28.2	6.1	24.3
7,242.000	Benchmark	4½	-½	..	..	..
38.0m	Brown Shipley	225	..	10.7	4.8	..
3,781.000	Carfuke	16½	+2	..	..	..
90.5m	Cater Allen	370	+4	38.3	8.8	11.5
71.7m	Cattles	98	●-1	6.1	7.5	9.7
——	Chartery	..	..	f	..	..
1,484.0m	Chase Manhattan	110¾	-¼	..	..	..
2,919.8m	Citicorp	131½	+¼	..	..	..
67.5m	Clyde Bnks	286	●-4	11.7	5.0	11.1
2,113.8m	Commerzbank	231½	-3½	..	..	..
10,144.0m	Deutsche Bank	521⅝	-4½	..	..	..
205.2m	First Nat Fin GPO	138	+1	..	6.9	..
125.0m	Gerrard Nat	326	-2	27.5	8.4	10.5
3,636.0m	HSBC	225	●-5	..	..	..
508.0m	Hambros	286	+1	17.1	5.8	10.1

STOCK EXCHANGE PRICES

Capitalisation and change on week

(Current market price multiplied by the number of shares in issue for the stock quoted)
ACCOUNT DAYS: Dealings began September 16. Dealings end September 27. §Contango day September 30. Settlement day October 7.
§Forward bargains are permitted on two previous business days.

Prices are Friday's middle prices. Change, dividend, yield and P/E ratios are calculated on middle prices.

Capitalisation £	Company	Price last Friday	Ch'ge on week	Gross div pence	Div Yld %	P/E
18.5m	Joseph (Leopold)	359	..	21.1	6.0	16.9
19.7m	King & Shaxson	126	+6	13.7	11.0	..
4.4[illegible]m	Kleinwort Benson	344	●+9	21.2	6.2	..
4,879.0m	Lloyds	380	●-12	23.9	5.4	15.7
31.2m	Lon Scot Bk	52	+1	3.7	7.1	9.8
1,978.9m	Midland	252	●+13	2.9	1.1	..
4,037.0m	Nat Aust Bk	932	-1	..	..	..
5,517.0m	Nat West	341	●-13	23.3	6.8	25.7
249.3m	Provident	479	●-15	32.0	6.7	10.4
13.7m	Rea Bros	35	●..	0.7	2.0	..
1,434.8m	Ryl Bk Scot	188	-5	11.2	6.0	8.7
458.5m	Schroders	913	-2	18.7	2.0	18.2
628.4m	Stan Chart	554	●-7	14.0	2.5	19.4
2,212.0m	TSB	147	●-7	8.5	5.8	12.1
49.0m	Union Disc	258	-1	46.7	18.1	10.0
1,074.0m	Warburg SG	640	+35	21.8	3.9	13.4
64.5m	Do 8% 'A'	188	●+11	8.0	4.4	..
2,210.0m	Wells Fargo	142¾	+1¼	..	..	..
2,871.0m	Westpac	215	-2	..	..	..
23.9m	Whitbread	283	●-5	12.4	4.4	10.4
BREWERIES						
5,867.8m	Allied-Lyons	647	+43	28.1	3.9	24.5
4,229.8m	Bass	985	+11	44.4	4.5	10.2
165.8m	Bodrington	160	..	8.0	5.0	12.2
137.5m	Bulmer (H P)	253	+6	11.1	4.2	16.4
22.9m	Burtonwood Brew	110	..	5.7	5.2	16.8
102.8m	Dewhirst (JA)	295	+2	7.3	2.5	15.1
——	Fowler Brewing Gp	63	-1	..	..	..
8,204.2m	Grand Met	522	●-13	28.3	3.4	14.8
444.1m	Greenall	371	+2	13.9	3.7	14.8
205.5m	Greene King	488	+1	14.4	3.0	15.8
10,117.8m	Guinness	£10⅝	+⅝	25.9	2.5	16.8
44.6m	Hardy & Hansons	£11½	+1	47.8	4.3	13.7
358.8m	Highland Dist	288	-1	6.6	2.3	21.0
329.8m	Irish Distillers Dist	237	●-9	7.3	2.8	21.2
75.9m	Mansfield	482	+11	16.1	3.3	13.3
201.7m	Marston Thompson	229	+19	8.0	2.8	16.4
36.4m	Matthew Clark	434	●..	18.7	4.3	16.0
69.4m	Morland	326	..	8.9	2.7	16.8
2,756.1m	SA Breweries	£10⅝	-½	..	..	..
1,616.8m	Scot & New	407	-7	20.0	4.9	11.9
300.3m	Vaux Grp	219	-1	11.8	5.4	11.3
2,035.2m	Whitbread 'A'	486	-20	21.7	4.5	12.2
221.4m	Do 'B'	£13½	..	21.7	1.6	33.5
381.9m	Wolverhmptn & D	362	+1	12.9	2.2	16.8
13.7m	Young 'A'	473	+8	17.3	3.7	17.5
BUILDING, ROADS						
29.0m	Abbey	75	..	..	..	..
433.4m	Amec	218	-4	13.7	6.3	11.1
11.6m	Anglia Sec	35	..	..	..	..
——	Ashcastle	..	..	9.0	f	..
387.9m	Ashwoods	201	-11	8.5	3.2	17.5
929.2m	BPB Ind	187	-23	15.0	5.9	26.9
37.6m	Baggeridge Brick	95	+17	4.2	4.4	11.2
2,400.0m	Bailey (Ben) Const	27	..	1.5	5.6	2.6
66.8m	Barratt Devs	49	-2	12.0	24.5	2.2
355.7m	Beazer PLC	118	●+35	5.3	4.5	11.6
91.5m	Bellway	245	+1	14.7	6.0	13.9
——	Bellwinch	..	..	f	..	..
208.5m	Berkeley Gp	342	-2	6.0	1.8	..
18.2m	Batt Bros	108	..	6.8	6.2	8.2
29.5m	Blockleys	168	..	8.4	5.0	13.7
1,480.5m	Bovis Group	359	●-17	18.0	5.0	11.4
30.9m	Boot (Henry)	308	..	33.3	5.5	10.9
28.7m	Braedon PLC	161	+6	8.1	5.0	10.4
25.5m	Br Dredging	145	●+9	9.8	6.8	11.1
230.5m	Bryant	198	+1	8.4	4.2	18.8
24.7m	CALA	70	-8	4.5	6.4	..
578.6m	CRH	235	●-3	..	..	..
2,763.000	Celebrated Robey	53	..	..	..	15.7
7,669.000	Conder Grp	17	-1	0.4	2.4	..
848.3m	Costain Group	108	●-5	16.3	15.1	..
62.3m	Countryside	104	+6	5.5	5.3	..
29.8m	Crest Nicholson	39	-4	..	..	13.0
8,551.000	Cussins	69	..	..	..	..
79.5m	Douglas (RM)	508	●-12	14.0	2.8	9.8
20.4m	Edmond Hldgs	48½	●+½	2.5	6.2	10.0
32.3m	Erith	70	●..	5.2	7.4	21.4
292.4m	Evered Bardon	81	+1	7.5	9.3	8.7
927.000	Firkin Gp	3	..	..	..	..
76.9m	Galliford	94	..	5.7	6.1	11.8
1,931.000	Gibbs & Dandy Ord	88	..	..	..	..
84.5m	Gleeson (M.J.)	845	+17	14.8	1.8	11.3
2,160.000	Graham Wood	55	..	7.5	13.5	3.2
7,457.000	Harrison Ind	61	-1	4.3	7.0	14.8
167.5m	Hawden-Stuart	92	-1	4.0	4.3	10.1
6,998.000	Hewetson	72	●-1	6.0	8.3	6.1
210.8m	Heywood Williams	307	●+3	16.7	5.4	12.5
162.5m	Higg & Hill	232½	-8½	25.7	11.5	42.2
15.8m	How Gp	37	..	4.8	13.0	7.8
4,268.000	Howard Hldgs	77	●..	0.5	2.0	..
244.8m	Ibstock Johnsen	98	-5	8.0	8.2	11.2
9,606.000	Jarvis	54	..	2.7	5.0	13.5
129.1m	Laing (J)	289	●-8	17.9	6.0	30.6
18.8m	Lawrence (Walter)	38	..	5.0	15.4	38.3
91.8m	Lilley	44½	-½	3.3	7.4	8.3
115.6m	Lovell (Y.J)	139	-4	11.3b	8.6	8.3
83.8m	Manders	180	●..	9.3	4.8	17.4
355.7m	Marley	127	●-3	8.5	6.7	48.4
93.7m	Marshalls	101	●..	8.7	8.6	21.0
28.3m	Maunder's (J)	118	-2	5.8	5.0	8.0
122.1m	McAlpine (Alfred)	230	●-12	13.7	6.0	21.4
56.0m	McCarthy & S	80	-1	1.3	1.6	..
478.5m	Meyer Int	408	+8	22.0	5.4	21.4
232.8m	Monkers (John)	218	●-10	28.0	12.8	9.8
42.0m	NSM	18	..	0.7	3.9	..
176.9m	Newman Tonks	171	-1	12.4	7.3	11.2
277.4m	Pentlandon	300	●-4	11.3b	3.8	13.1
3,321.000	Phoenix Timber	23	+1	0.7	3.0	..
16.1m	Pochin	£8½	..	32.0	3.5	5.6
23.8m	Prowting	186	+7	8.7	3.8	28.4
1,207.0m	RMC Gp	821	-37	26.0	3.2	11.0
179.8m	Reine Ind	142	+3	7.7	5.4	10.2
1,869.8m	Redland	562	-28	33.3	5.9	10.7
9,900.000	Rugby	68	+1	6.7	9.8	9.6
571.2m	Rugby Group	197	+1	8.6	4.4	13.2
17.4m	Sharpe & Fisher	85	..	5.3	6.2	..
33.8m	Sheffield Inv	142	+7	7.2	5.1	9.6
20.1m	Smart (J)	200	..	9.9	5.0	8.3
34.5m	Stamvik	16	●..	0.4	2.2	34.5
516.0m	Steetley	330	-33	18.7	5.7	9.8
1,538.0m	Tarmac	211	-21	13.0	7.1	13.4
38.8m	Tay Homes	166	+6	8.4	5.8	8.5
791.5m	Taylor Woodrow	190	●-15	12.7	6.7	12.5
142.5m	Tilbury Group	958	-25	44.0	6.7	10.3
238.0m	Travis Perkins	226	..	10.7	4.8	21.7
13.7m	Try Group	62	r ..	0.7	1.2	13.4
3,196.000	Turriff	40	..	5.7	14.3	..
32.4m	Vibroplant	114	●-2	4.8	4.2	11.8
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34.1m	Ward Hldgs	65	●-1	3.5	5.4	..
83.7m	Watts Blake	405	..	12.4	3.1	15.4
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2,842.000	Wiggins	18	..	..	..	..
343.3m	Wilson Bowden	444	●+1	11.2	2.5	15.5
357.5m	Wilson (Connolly)	199	●-6	5.1	2.6	18.0
547.7m	Wimpey G	190	●+3	14.0	7.4	20.5
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187.8m	BTP	241	+3	11.2	4.8	15.1
6,310.7m	Bayer DM50	£36⅝	+¼	..	..	..
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89.5m	Brent Chema	186	+4	9.9	5.0	13.1
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40.8m	Canning (W)	145	●+6	8.7	6.7	12.9
204.3m	Croda	158	●-4	9.8	6.2	9.4
174.1m	Ellis & Everard	213	●-2	9.4	4.4	13.4
4,038.000	European Colour	13½	+½	0.9	6.7	11.0
54.2m	Evode	75	●-3	8.8	11.5	8.7
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186.2m	Leigh	318	●..	10.2	3.2	18.0
215.5m	Lindustries	242	●-1	7.0	2.9	13.1
3,337.9m	Norsk Hydro	£16½	-½	..	..	..
98.5m	Peterson Zoch	382	+18	12.7	3.2	12.4
88.5m	Do 'A'	285	+14	12.7	3.3	12.1
86.4m	Plysu	204	-2	8.0	3.9	16.5
1,466.5m	Rentokil	378	-1	4.5	1.3	31.8
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18.1m	Austin Reed	383	..	12.7	3.3	58.6
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141.7m	Ezon	217	+7	7.8	3.6	34.4
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11.0m	Scottish Value	47	..	2.4	5.1	22.3
1,339.0m	Sears	69	-5	7.3	8.1	18.0
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79.5m	Time Products	150	+2	8.7	6.5	11.9
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2,812.000	Alphameric	2½	..	..	..	..
297.4m	Amstrad	62½	-1½	1.8	3.6	9.0
6,794.000	Anton	22	..	0.7e	3.2	65.0
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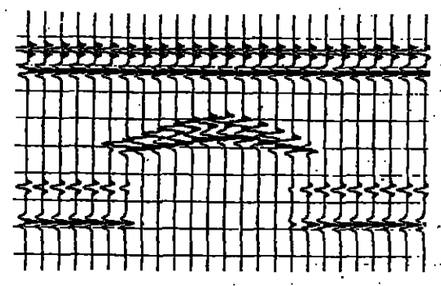

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By any other name, a poly still needs funds

As the polytechnics debate their new titles, John O'Leary charts a mood which has gone from euphoria to hard bargaining with university vice-chancellors over money

Now that the polytechnics' euphoria over the prospect of university status has abated, they are finding there is some hard bargaining to be done with the government and the existing universities before their ambitions are realised.

Polytechnic directors are determined that the changes promised by both main parties should mean more than just a new name, even though that has been the subject of most interest so far. Their annual conference produced a shopping list that was put to Kenneth Clarke, the education secretary, and will be examined with interest this week by university vice-chancellors.

The list was headed by a demand for equal access to research funding, the key issue for most universities and polytechnics. The 19 objectives set by the directors also included safeguards on the equal distribution of money for teaching and on quality control, and a free rein on the vexed question of name changes.

The directors had mixed success with Mr Clarke, and can expect the same from the vice-chancellors, who hold their annual meeting this week. Moving towards a unified higher education system has exposed some sharp differences between and within the two groups. The most obvious has been over the titles to be taken by the new universities.

More than half the polytechnics have neighbouring universities that are determined there should be no confusion about which is the senior institution. The remainder face no such complications, and are equally keen not to have unnecessary adjuncts to their titles lessening the impact of the change of status. Wolverhampton Polytechnic, for example, is waiting for the right to become the University of Wolverhampton, and wants nothing to do with suggested formulations such as "technological university", let alone "polytechnic university".

As a group, the directors have ruled out a collective change of title, fearing this would perpetuate the very distinctions they hope to eradicate. Some of those facing the greatest difficulty in reaching agreement on a name have found possible solutions. Liverpool Polytechnic, for one, is considering calling itself the University of Merseyside, while the Polytechnic of Central London (PCL) is likely to opt for Westminster University. None of this is much comfort to such institutions as Oxford Polytechnic, which are conscious of market research showing the importance of retaining a town or city name but which face complications with illustrious neighbours. Mr Clarke is keeping his distance, saying the difficulties are neither as great nor as important as they have been represented to be.

The same cannot be said of the polytechnics' claims on research funding. In a finite pool, the polytechnics' gain inevitably will be the universities' loss, and the vice-chancellors will give as little as possible. Mr Clarke has accepted the principle of open competition for funds, but he intends to do no more to help the polytechnics to win their share.

The directors have argued that they need extra money to bring their laboratories up to the standards expected by the research councils so that outstanding researchers have a fair chance of success. Mr Clarke's response in a private session last week was that he was not concerned primarily with fairness. "I can see no justification, whether financial or academic, for spreading resources around the whole system so thinly that nobody has sufficient funds to carry out thorough, first-rate work," he said.

An apparently unlikely alliance may be forged between the polytechnics and some of the universities that do least well out of the current research allocations. Both would be losers if the phasing-out of the universities' automatic entitlement to research funds leads to a concentration on those at the top of the pecking order, rather than a wider distribution of money.

Professor Terence Burlin, the rector of PCL, thinks such fears are premature. "We see this as an enormous step forward," he says. "We will be inside a changed system, rather than outside one that was structured and inflexible. I believe that will be to the benefit of the nation."

On other issues, however, the polytechnics are far from defensive. They see the government's agenda of expansion in higher education, more flexible courses, quality assessment by outside agencies and greater cost-effectiveness as their province, rather than that of the universities.

Although talks have been taking place between the directors and the vice-chancellors on a single representative body, they are being approached with no sense of inferiority. If the gloves do come off in a scrap over the new higher education system, the polytechnics will give as good as they get.

Detailed study: students of the PCL, whose rector sees the government changes as an enormous step forward

Burning interest: schemes are around for those keen on science

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SCOPE, the quarterly magazine of the British Association Youth Section (BAYS), is aimed at all secondary-age children. The £3.50 annual subscription includes membership of the science club, which runs events such as national and regional science fairs. Local groups organize talks and visits.

WATCH, the junior environmental education group, with an annual subscription of £5, also operates locally organising rambles, visits to wildlife hospitals or investigations into organic farming. The latest nationwide project is National Riverwatch, a three-year study to assess the state of Britain's rivers. The children will carry out practical tasks under adult supervision.

The Molecule Theatre of Science in London, specialises in shows for younger children, not just the keen scientist but for those who find it confusing or boring. Any topic, it seems, can provide the backbone for an entertaining science adventure. The 1989-90 production, *It's All in The Stars*, started with a meteorite shower which set off a James Bond-type quest for a priceless meteorite.

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Independent schools face changes whoever wins the next election. **David Tytler** looks at the proposals

Is this the last straw for heads?

Most of the heads of independent schools are now holding their breath and hoping for the best, which for them is the return of a Conservative government after the general election.

There is, of course, the odd renegade, even in the Headmasters' Conference, who agrees with Labour's plan to scrap the assisted places scheme, intended to help able children of poor families to attend highly academic fee-paying schools.

Anybody attending last week's annual meeting of the conference, which represents 230 of Britain's leading independent schools, would have had to listen very hard for the whispers. They were to be heard, however.

A handful of heads accepted the view of Jack Straw, Labour's education spokesman, that the scheme introduced ten years ago was not helping genuinely poor working-class families but "distressed gentlefolk", a fair proportion of them wives abandoned by their husbands. The official line from David Smith, the headmaster of Bradford grammar school and the independent schools' expert on assisted places, is that a third of the 27,000 pupils being helped come from families with an income of only £8,700 a year and qualify for a grant paying the full tuition fees of about £3,000 a year.

'We will be able to fill our places but we will not be reaching the right children'

Most schools would not be damaged economically by the loss of assisted places.

"We will be able to fill our places," Mr Smith says, "but we will not be reaching the right children. Jack Straw talks of us using endowments to help poor children, but very few of us have endowments. He seems to be saying that Eton can go on for ever but that Asian children cannot come to Bradford grammar school."

The underlying worry for the heads of all independent schools is that a Labour government's decision to abandon the scheme would not be reversed by a later Conservative administration. "They have always been ashamed of it," one headmaster said, not convinced by the insistence of Kenneth Clarke, the education secretary, that he remained committed to it.

Mr Straw's statement that Mr Clarke was clearly not intending to extend the scheme was not lost on the headmasters, who remained surprisingly docile during the Labour spokesman's speech.

The headmasters came away with the clear impression that Labour was not going to abolish independent schools but that life was going to be increasingly difficult. They would lose the assisted places and they would need to prove that they deserved their charitable status.

Jack Straw: "The scheme is not helping genuinely poor families"

Private schools no longer a law unto themselves

Tories and Labour pledge to reveal reports on schools to parents

Independent schools achieve standards at least as high as those at the best state schools, according to their umbrella organisation. The problem for the schools is to prove this claim.

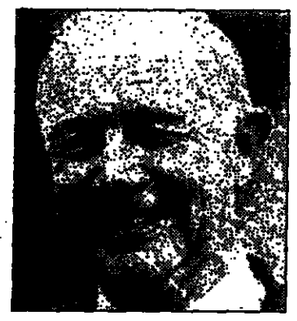
In 1980 the 1,400 schools in the Independent Joint Schools Council set up an accreditation system to replace the checks by Her Majesty's Inspectors (HMIs) of schools that were dropped by Labour in 1978. A new Labour government would reinstate regular visits to schools in England and Wales by inspectors working for the Education Standards Council.

Anthea Griggs, the head of St George's school, Ascot, Berkshire, found the accreditation review useful but expensive, at its basic cost of £475 plus £5.50 per pupil, plus hotel bills and expenses. St George's has 46 teachers, 96 day girls paying £5,550 a year, and 186 boarders paying £9,990. A team of four, led by a retired HMI accompanied by three headmistresses from other schools in the Girls' School Association, spent two and half days there.

The council and its member associations expect schools to have reviews at least every ten years after the original accreditation visit.

Mrs Griggs says: "It is expensive but probably worth it for building confidence, and it helps the school to look at its own strengths and weaknesses. It all seemed to go very sensibly as they were all experienced professionals. At the end of the visit there was an oral debriefing for me, which was very valuable. They tell you what they are going to put in the report and would say then if they had found anything that was worrying them."

The council's reports, compiled by a recently retired HMI and experienced working heads, differ from HMI reports in that they are not published and are generally not shown to parents, although Mrs Griggs says she would make her report available to a parent who asked. The report cannot be used in the school prospectus and is intended only for the association to which the school belongs, the head, the governors and the teaching staff if the head believes it should be shown to them.



John Sharp: "constructive"

HMI reports on state schools are published, sent to the press, and placed in the local library. In practice, few parents see a report unless it is favourable, but this will change whichever party wins the next general election. Both the Conservatives and Labour say reports will go to parents.

Dr John Sharp, a former independent school head and chairman of the council's accreditation service, believes confidentiality has its benefits. "We all know what happens when you publish reports," he says. "They tend to become bland. Ours are direct, constructive and, where necessary, critical. It is up to heads and governors to reveal the relevant parts to those concerned."

Independent schools have long complained that their newly qualified teachers were unfairly treated if they wanted to join a state school as they would be asked to complete a probationary year before being considered fully qualified. They have been pressing Kenneth Clarke, the education secretary, to recognise their own accreditation.

The annual meeting of the Headmasters' Conference was delighted when Mr Clarke said he was scrapping the probationary year. All schools will be expected to give new teachers support and training, for which state schools will pay under new grants to be announced this year.

Jack Straw, Labour's education spokesman, and the National Union of Teachers, immediately claimed this plan would lower standards. Mr Clarke insists his teacher-training reforms, to be announced this year, will require greater practical experience rather than "barmy theoretical" courses.

Schools, VAT and trees

VOLKSWAGEN has come to the rescue of 260 schools facing bills for value added tax on 44,000 trees planted as part of an environmental campaign. Almost all the trees were bought with their own money by children, who now tend their purchases in school grounds. The nursery that supplied the trees did not charge VAT because it believed them to be zero-rated as educational equipment.

When Customs and Excise ruled that no such exemption existed, Volkswagen stepped in. "We try to support environmental campaigns, and this seemed a worthy cause," a spokesman said.

Young leaders

EVEN head boys and girls get management training today. More than 30 attended a one-day leadership workshop last week at Lawnside School, a private girls' school in Malvern, Hereford and Worcester. Former head boys and girls gave the new incumbents at independent schools in the county advice on communication skills, handling difficult pupils and coping with responsibility. Sue Adeney, Lawnside's deputy headmistress, who organised the course, says: "The workshop was designed to address some of the issues and problems students will encounter in their time of office."

Early closing

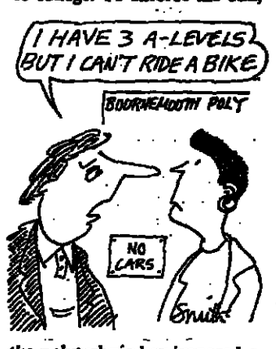
A SCHOOL with no pupils will shut next month on the orders of Kenneth Clarke, the education secretary. The 100-year-old Alyesbeare primary school, in east Devon, was to have closed in July 1992, but when the new term began, the headmaster and a supply teacher were the only ones to attend. County education officials applied to bring the closure forward. Ken Watson, who chairs Devon's education committee, says: "Although there is an inevitable sadness about the closure of any of our small village schools, the decision is common sense." Children in the village are attending new schools and the teaching staff will be found new posts.

Sport warning

MORE than £110 million invested in gymnasiums, playing fields and swimming pools for use by local communities will be threatened as more schools opt out of local authority control, the Sports Council has said. Peter Yarranton, the council's chairman, has asked the Education Assets Board for safeguards for community sport schemes at more than 700 schools. Concern was growing, he said, because such schemes could not be protected once the schools became grant-maintained and governors took control.

On your bikes

STUDENTS at Bournemouth Polytechnic in Dorset have been told to get on their bikes and leave their cars at home when the new term starts this month. Only those with special reasons will be allowed to drive to college. To enforce the ban,



the polytechnic has imposed a one-mile parking exclusion zone around the campus and will fine offenders at least £15. The aim is to make the area more environmentally friendly, and to counter complaints that students' cars are blocking surrounding streets.

Willing pupils

FOUR out of five children would go to school even if they did not have to, says a Scouts Association survey. Their only wish was for smaller, quicker classes. Even the national curriculum was popular, 41 per cent finding it an improvement on previous lessons and only 7 per cent claiming it was worse.

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Class II (Div 2): G R Agnew; J R Cater; Z A Howard; K F C Howley; H E Ross; R C Skinner; G L Wallace; S T M Ward
Class III: G P Taylor; J Tse
Pass: J E Parker

BSocSc

African Studies

Class II (Div 1): J A Bain

Economic & Social History

Class II (Div 1): A J Scott
Class II (Div 2): A Chadbourne; A C Dunlop; N S Greig; R Lanfear; C J Langham; L J Palmer; B M Quinn; A J Roberts

Economic & Social History and Sociology

Class II (Div 1): S Garvey

Economics

Class I: X Constantinou; Y M E Lau; M I Rawlinson
Class II (Div 1): S R Aldinson; K J Bagshaw; J Barton; G M Birchall; M A Burcham; B P Cooch; W A Green; C M Hollis; M B Hughes; J L Hunt; S A Jacobs; B R Kantaria; K Kaur; M P J Lewis; P N Lucas; W J Park Weir; N J Robbins; K B Shah; R Stacey; C A Stone; P A Tobin; P J Vickars; A D Walker; A S Ward; E J Williams; M F Williams
Class II (Div 2): V Bharakhada; L H Chu; K Collins; W J S Floydd; C M Harvey; A E Lattu; G M Lepick; C P Piggott; A P Richardson; C T Sullivan; J Tyndale-Biscoe
Pass: J Finnigan

Economics & Statistics

Class I: J Chia

Economics with Modern Economic History

Class II (Div 1): C T F Crawford; D J Norris; S J Roggett; C J N Reay; D S Virley; A J Warner
Class II (Div 2): S J Adams; J J Freeman; J G Rix

Economics and Political Science

Class I: R E M Belbin
Class II (Div 1): M S Baker; A R Garrard; B Perry; P J Smith; K A Wilsher
Class II (Div 2): N P Beer; L K Metcalfe; T K Negus

Geography and Economic & Social History

Class II (Div 1): E Redhouse

Geography and Economics

Class II (Div 1): C A S Warnock
Class II (Div 2): M I Edwards; R J Hall; M R Soundy

Geography and Planning

Class I: O M Sanders
Class II (Div 1): R J Fletcher; V F Geoghegan; A L Mercer; V A Reid; S J Smith; E Thomas
Class II (Div 2): J F Eglese

Geography and Political Science

Class II (Div 1): E A Catchpole; J M Thick

Geography and Sociology

Class II (Div 1): R H Watkins

History & Social Science

Class II (Div 1): P A Hobson
Class II (Div 2): O W G West

International Studies

Class II (Div 1): J A Harding; J N Hill; M A E Scott
Class II (Div 2): G A Shaw; M C Warr

International Studies with Economics

Class II (Div 1): J H Blackburn; H D Bushell; S D Coburn; K R Jaffa; N Kotlegoda; Y M Shah; E M Shearn; N F Wass
Class II (Div 2): C J Swinton

Mathematical Economics

Class I: G G Knowles; K H Kong; A Schaffer; U Taukoordass
Class II (Div 1): A P Baker; H L Berry; S Chalfield; F C Dye; P B Gee; C S Hornby; J D Murphy; D P Scott; M A Thornton; J M Williams
Class II (Div 2): S M Wilmer

Money Banking & Finance

Class I: R W J Manhire
Class II (Div 1): K L Albany; T A Atherton; A J Chiddwick; C Critchley; S D Cubley; B Desai; B Donohoe; A Economides; K A Emery; D M Evans; S J Farthing; G Ford; J G Freeston; M C Goddin; A J Gold; T D Howard; D J Jones; D Loveland; A J Maire; A G C Marrett; N Patel; N J Pamberthy; K E Peters; S M Phillips; J H Reeve; N R Sargent; C N Smith; M J Yeates
Class II (Div 2): E Beeson; J R Cobb; M Lockett; C R Mackay; P W D Mahon; I McLoughlin; J Palmer; T G K Smith; E Tsolaki
Class III: J D Jones; P A Wall

Philosophy and Sociology

Class II (Div 1): J G Higgins

Political Science

Class I: C J Benbow; S R Bonfield; D Cook; A Fletcher; R A Griffiths; A E Hinds; S Russell-Ross; D I Watson; J S Willshire
Class II (Div 2): N Brough; V T M Eurlyides; M E Hernan-Acisah; C A Horocin; J Lusby; D J P Manners; M H Woolliscroft

Political Science and Sociology

Class II (Div 1): S L Brookes
Class II (Div 2): S M Willcox

Public Policymaking & Administration

Class II (Div 1): D J Beckett; C M Benjamin; T M Chan; A Conlon; M G Dolton; R A Heathcote; D C Hodges; S J Parker; T Shadforth
Class II (Div 2): B N Clews; R J Farley; F C Horn; P E Morrison; S W Turley

Social Policy

Class I: A C Eardley
Class II (Div 1): B Graham; R H Haynes; S J Norris; K E Pittam; V Standfield; D J Tarrant; S Tin
Class II (Div 2): S J Allwright; A C Bennett; R A Prior; E Prodromou

Social Policy & Social Work

Class II (Div 1): A J Lockwood; J E Oliver; E R Powell
Class II (Div 2): S Betterton; T A Hammerton; M A Mulline; V V Thompson; R H Warren

Social Policy and Sport & Recreation Studies

Class II (Div 2): M J Callaway; D J Cleary

Sociology

Class II (Div 1): S Dar; D J Freeman; S A Gall
Class II (Div 2): C W Groves; S L Mainwaring

Sociology and Social Policy

Class II (Div 1): K J Starr

Sociology and Sport & Recreation

Class II (Div 1): S J King

BCom

Commerce

Class I: T F Cox
Class II (Div 1): J J Aitken; L M Albrighton; C L Anderson; L M Andrews; K E Ashton; J Banks; J K Beaumont; J V Brown; S M Cook; S Cole; S L Cross; G A Davenport; R E J Davies; P J Denyer; C A Evans; A J Fitzsimmons; A J Flack; M D Fosr; J B Gillett; D S Goldstone; J L Gorse; C E Harvey; K King; R J Leftwich; S K Maguire; L J Mills; L A Naughton; D R Oxley; A C Patton; J H Simpson; N J Smith; R A F Stone; W J L Taggart; J C Wall
Class II (Div 2): S H Christiansen; J M Coates; P J Edwards; P N Farmer; S W Green; S P Heyworth; W J Hoy; P Jones; A O'Malley; M Paul; C A Pratt; A J Rothwell; A M Smith; M G Wynn-Jones

BCom (Acc)

Accounting

Class I: A S Lyndon; C Makrides
Class II (Div 1): M A Aries; G E Barnes; N S Bradley; R L Butler; D C M Chan; S Gupta; D A Halladay; D Hampsey; Y K Hung; J M Hurst; K P Jordan; L Malcolm; C C McLaughlan; V Narang; A L Oon On; J M Robertson; S Sammanthan; L J Shaw; M K Sloan; P L Smith; C J Stewart; D Yagnic; P Young
Class II (Div 2): A S Barrell; M A Baxter; W G Brown; J M Burton; D C Cooper; S J Coyle; D I Davies; S F Eddleston; N A Goulding; G J Hermiston; R F W Hor; H R Jones; P Kerry; K T Lapham; B K Lee; J R Maddock; P D Mills; T Mullin; K L Ngui; S L Nip; I J Power; H S Sondhi; J C Tatham; M D Thole; A J Warren
Class III: N N Barrett

BDS

Dentistry

Pass: S T Edwards; A M Griffin; F P Hollingsworth; J M Inman; M Lucas; P A Minall; F M Murphy; M A Patel

BPhil (Education)

Computer Education

H M Poon

Curriculum Studies

S K D Mak

Curriculum & Teaching

J A Archer; C K Lam; S K M Man; M P Sebela; S E Tongue

Education

S A Humphrys

Education & National Development

M K Ling

Educational & Child Psychology

P M Ashton; C T Cheung; L W Cheung; W Y A Kwok Li; K C A Lam; W K Lam; C L Lau; W Y C Leung; M J Phipps; W M Tang

English in Education

J Parker

English in Education from Infancy to Undergraduate Years

M L A Chi; T Cotton; C S Y Ho; S K M Kun; K H Lam

Management & Policy in Education

R Hamer; T P F Lai; M C Lovatt; D E M Rollinson

Multi-Faith Teaching in a Multi-Cultural Society

P Cunningham

Organisation & Management in Schools & Colleges

C A Allu; D O Barnham; J D Clark; P Harrington; H P Harris

Psychology of Childhood & Adolescence

F M Story

Religious Education

S Page; Y Y Urio

Special Education: Hearing Impaired

P J Bramwell; S Campos; J Guest; P Lybbock; B A Rayner; C K Stockdale

Special Education: Difficulties in Learning

A C Bill; S W Hartland; C C Jenkins; G K Ridley; S B Rundle; R Watkinson

Special Education: Emotional & Behaviour Difficulties

C Y Chan; S M W Chan; C M J Cheung; G L Evans; C I Hughes; N Kedward; L O C Kwong; C Y Ma; G W Strong; Y K L Wong

Special Education: Hearing Impaired

D L Shaw

Special Education: Learning Difficulties

Y M A Chan; K L M Chau Fung; M R Collis; S L D Fung; P V Gee; D A Hendy; C L Ip

Special Education: Multi-Sensory Impairment

D M Brown; E M Love; H Watson; C Geraghty; J E M Graham; A W J Kirk; M Malumphy; P A Russell

Special Education: Visually Handicapped

C S Chan; C L Cheong; S P Cook; F Herring; P S Kamupira; M Kitcher; K W Lam; K J Murphy; S Osborne; H G Saunders; J M Scarff; J A Taft; Y W Wan

BEng

Chemical Engineering

Class I: S J Benstead; D A Brooker; L M Burbidge; L E Fretwell; A D Haywood; G T Hoar; I L Jones; G A Raymond; J A Smith; G M Vines; S J Watson
Class II (Div 1): G M Allen; R J Blewett; R J Cantwell; J R Cordill; A M Griffiths; S M Oakley; D Downing; J F Felton; J S Fox; A C Hall; T A Hanson; A R Harris; D J Hipkiss; M D Ingson; A G Irvin; W J Lonergan; S McDonnell; I G Morris; C B Scoon; J S Shrimpton; A J Spall; A R K Steinitz; R A Stow; P D Turner; H E Winsor
Class II (Div 2): J T L Barnett; A J D Babs; A J Boles; E L Brown; E S Davis; R W Flanagan; E R Gower; P C Grabham; A Guy; K Bee; M R Jeffery; J McDonnell; D M Mortimer; D A Perry; J S Phillips; D J Roberts; J P Scullard; A Shah; J O Swain; M J Walker; M E Watson; A J Williams; R Woollacott
Class III: K H Cheung; S G Coward; G I Judge; A L Knudsen; R D Rayner; A Sammarco

Chemical Engineering with Biochemical Engineering

Class II (Div 1): J B Shaldes; C S Smith
Class II (Div 2): A George; A J Hine
Class III: N Ahmad; M C Mitchell

Chemical Engineering with Minerals Engineering

Class I: J Clark; R J Weatherhogg
Class II (Div 1): L C Allen; D A Butcher; R M Kelly; D M Parr; S R Phimister; C J Young
Class II (Div 2): S L Bwalya; R Chiyangi; N C A Greenwood; J M Hickman; L A Hill; V Mabyor; A M McGinness; D A Overton; M D Turner Jones; S M Williams
Class III: J Sichinga
Pass: A J Kilmurray; T Mitti

Civil Engineering

Class I: L R Clark; C Y Poon; S C Werrett
Class II (Div 1): U S Arambawela; K Craven; M G F Croot-Schwanecke; M A Foster; A M Green; K A Holmes; L R Picken; P D E Richards; M Shujaui; C J Stone; H Tan; N Todd; M J Wilkinson; M E Zaidi
Class II (Div 2): C Chapman; S W J Chung; R C Darigaia; C J Heath; R E Holden; A R Hopkins; D H Johnson-Ferreguti; C Y Kann; J W Marshall; D S Mok; K Mota; O S Mullins; K W Parfitt; D F Riding; G C Shawe; G Singh; S J Thomas; C A R Treanor; W W L Wong
Class III: C Wilson
Pass: M A Al-Haffar; C C Ecob; G D Franklin; J K Swinden; M L S Yong

Computer Science & Electronic Engineering

Class II (Div 1): D Cawkwell; P A Coombs; R J H Hough; C K Ng; M A Paiser; B Pammu; E E Stansard
Class II (Div 2): P M Bullough; B W S Fung; M W Gittenberg; L Tang
Class III: D R Howes

Electronic & Communication Engineering

Class I: K K Kong; W Woo
Class II (Div 1): H C H Cheung; V L T Lei; L C M Leung; C C E Or; S P Sin; C K Ting
Class II (Div 2): A M Al-Khoshman; C Y Cheung
Class III: W Wang
Pass: M A Ranson

Electronic & Computer Engineering

Class I: D R Hodroyd; W Y Leung; C J Polnton; G K Sim
Class II (Div 1): K L Cheuk; D J Fish; D Healings; H P Khoo; M Mistry; J M Tyson; C H Wong; H W Wong
Class II (Div 2): S C Isherwood; T W Lee; Z M Qamar; C J Taylor; A G Tillerton; C S Toh
Class III: N M Malik; S K H Paang; T E Trylsid
Pass: A E Richardson

Electronic & Control Engineering

Class II (Div 1): J Carter
Class III: A Modlesi

Electronic & Electrical Engineering

Class I: R A Buckley; K S Chiu; J J Davies; J E Hunt; M P Ng; G Pickering; I C Warburton
Class II (Div 1): K Q Archer; P J Bebbington; S H Chan; R L Davies; T J Deive; C B Douglas; N A Dumonde; K A Inglis; S P Ives; M Karunanithy; K Y Liew; S Y Luk; K K Ma; I V McLoughlin; D J Murray; K H P Ng; S Patel; P Roberts; T M Robinson; R H Sheppard; P Shum; N C Smith; C B Tsang; R J Wagstaff; D J Wilkinson; C K Wu
Class II (Div 2): S B S Ahmad; A B Carrington; E W Y Chan; F W Chu; J R W Cullmer; K M Haggar; D N James; L K K Li; A J Mankelelow; A Mohammed; S R Rojec; S Shallik; D R Slee; D M Smith; J Thirkell; N S Q To; R J Tomlin; P Veale; W M Vickers
Class III: A Al-Rubaie; M H Ho; W W P Ip; R G Kent; G J Lamb; R W Morgan
Pass: A P Augustin; J King; P J Macphail; N C Mba
Official Degree: R Cutler

Electronic & Integrated Circuit Engineering

Class II (Div 2): D M Taylor

Electronic & Manufacturing Engineering

Class II (Div 2): R M Bell; G E P White
Pass: S J Crumpler

Manufacturing Engineering

Class I: S N Baldwin; K C Lee; K H Ng; A Palmer
Class II (Div 1): Y P Chan; M K Chia; B G Derde; C D A Evans; C A Hall; K W Hon; P A Hopkins; K K Jek; N J Klotz; P S Kwek; I Lee; R A Llewellin; R A Lord; S F Pan; P Y S Sc; T W D Soo; J L Spencer; A Wildish; D T Wright; E T Yang; S K Yap
Class II (Div 2): R J Archer; S C Bibbo; S Cocks; C T Cox; R J L Craddoch; J J Deery; J Ford; M B Head; J E Hiller; T P Spooner; S D Vogel; R P G Williams; M C Yau
Pass: R N Downham; J D E Walker
Official Degree: R R Spencer

Manufacturing Engineering & Economics

Class II (Div 1): M R Hartley; P Walter

Materials Science & Technology

Class I: K M Fox; T J Preston
Class II (Div 1): C Barnor; S M Chandler; A P Cockburn; R H Haigh; P Hawkins; L M Healey; L S Jenkins; G D Jones; P J Law; R Leetham; S F Ray; J M Watkins; T C Wright
Class II (Div 2): A J Baggaley; E L Cunliffe; D S Edgley; R G L Hodges; J C Miller; R D B Norfolk; G R Routledge; R Sadler; M P T Tran
Class III: J A Davies; J H Gregory

Mechanical Engineering

Class I: H S Chiang; Desaijani; M Hamsam; A Harting; P W Lim; L S Quak; K Y Wong
Class II (Div 1): K D Abbott; R D Allison; F M Byrne; J M Chai; C Y Chan; P D Cowley; S J Dare; N J Dixon; C Georghiou; C J Harris; G C Jackson; S B Lall; T S Lau; B Miller; R J Oakes; D Sallim; I P Shay; S P Tan; O Vassiliadis
Class II (Div 2): A J Coles; S Dodson; N G Duckworth; A Kaplish; A M Lloyd; J W Moir; S P Noon; S K Pema; C Read; P J Shepherd; E J T Taylor; S J Tong; P B Walker; J M Ward; P K Warner; M H Wood; A M Woodhouse
Class III: M E J Goest; R Singh; J G Vedine
Pass: T M Mourie; D J Perks; S M Rogers

Metallurgy

Class I: L S Smith; S Williams
Class II (Div 1): M G S Murray; C L Short; A Vicary
Pass: J Mutinga

MEng

Chemical Engineering

Class I: J G Robins
Class II (Div 1): H K Sabavala; G D Sobers; R M Woodstock
Class II (Div 2): K R Brooks

Chemical Engineering with Biochemical Engineering

Class II (Div 1): P J Pickering

Civil Engineering

Class I: D J Burton; A Cunningham; R J Norris
Class II (Div 1): M J Baldwin; S C Dent; H J Galleri; J R Hewitt; A C Joseph; E Maclean; A J Moran; M Rendell; C M Roose; D J Weatherill

Computer Science & Electronic Engineering

Class I: A D Ben-Dyke

Electronic & Electrical Engineering

Class I: P E Howland; I D Stanbridge
Class II (Div 2): S A C Browne; R D Griffith

Manufacturing Engineering

Class I: A R Williams

Materials Engineering

Class I: S M Johns
Class II (Div 1): J Ratcliffe; G C Smith

Mechanical Engineering

Class II (Div 1): D J Kay; A S Sanghera; B E G Van Den Hove; D M Wilkinson

BEng and BCom

Manufacturing Engineering & Economics

Class I: J C Ringer
Class II (Div 1): J M Cardin; J E Coop; I S Glen; S Hooton
Class II (Div 2): D A Butcher; N Hartley; V C Wang

Mechanical Engineering & Economics

Class II (Div 1): S K Chung; E J Connolly; H Hirst; D A Tarbet

MEng and Man

Mechanical Engineering Manufacture & Management

Class I: C P Cage; N A Pratt; J L Weston; R A Wynne
Class II (Div 1): S R Angell; I W Blatchford; I P Chilley; J D Chorlton; P D Croft; C H Evans; H Lattimer; M W Lewis; J L Reclik; A W Sanderson; B Shah; S R J Stott; C Y Wong; D Yip
Class II (Div 2): C P Blake; A J Furby; D A Lyne; A Mudie; M T P Tan

LLB

Law

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Class II (Div 1): H S Aoulick; J E Arnott; K E Blackwell; R M Bremner; M Burnett; A P Bushby; G E Chambers; L E Cole-Morgan; C V J Corney; E R Costin; R P M Cuerden; C A Curtis; R M Dyson; P D Edwards; P D Edwards; M A Fordham; S P N Gilmour; C Goodall; M M T Gore; J L Gottler; C M E Kelly; C J Lacy; S F Lamprell; C A Lovatt; S Magdiner; S Menon; C L Munro; J B Nimmo; J E Norris; V H D Notman; V M Pascaridou; S L Prew; D A Pridmore; D M Russell; M J Salt; V C Samani; C A Shiramba; L A Shone; P T Smedley; C Stott; J E Thomas; K M Thomas; S C Thomas; B A Trimmer; J Waudby; A L White; D V Williams
Class II (Div 2): R E Agnew; D Allday; N I Benson; J R Biggs; B S Black; L Bloom; M L Brifa Do Rosario; A R Burford; S V Calleu-Canet; R J Carter; M C R Chan; C A Chang; C M Chew; Y Y Chu; M C Chua; H L Cleverley; M R R Cruden; V M Cummins; N A Curtis; S J Dinneen; C A Doherty; A M Edwards; D P Ellis; R J Hallman; M A Hampton; H A Hobbs; S A James; E F Judge; J E Kay; R P Kelner; J P Kirwin; Y T Lau; J E S Lawson; P J La Cornu; J C Lee; G R McCrory; J D Melville-Smith; J C Murethy; G M Murphy; P K Nair; E P Neer; K Oates; O A Onile-Ajibola; P Palay; M L A Pallot; C I Pegman; L A Pope; R Rahiman; T L Robinson; S E Ruffles; C A Sayer; T R S Seldon; D J Silence; T R Singh; J Skinner; A J Smith; N M Smith; N R Smyth; K H Spedding; R I Stokes; D J Stuart; L M Townley; A D Twineham; A R Wadman; D J Watson; P J Whitlard; N A Woodward
Class III: I N Moushoutas

Law with French

Class II (Div 1): L R Black; A S Davies; C Fitman; C C Elison; S J Harrop; L A Kyle; K E Lark; J Lawrence; K L Moffat; C E Newton; G E Quirk; V J Sandry; S E Thompson
Class II (Div 2): A K Bray; K E Elliott; P M Kearney; E A Mott; S J C Neill; C Sutherland; E J Yeadon
Class III: C P Tozer

Law and Politics

Class II (Div 1): H A Cooper; S P Gamblin; J M J Gould; K A Kyriakides; C E K Salter; K A Shepherd; M D Sneed
Class II (Div 2): A Atubakar; P J Conway

Law and Business Studies

Class I: I D Ball
Class II (Div 1): T M F Ambrose; A R J Braidwaite; R G Cowgill; P D Creagan; R G Holland; R C C Low; D A Parker; J C S Wong
Class II (Div 2): H S Al Hamdani; A R Favell; D J Glover; H L Golding; A L Lim; P E Matthison

MB ChB

Medicine

Honours: A P Armstrong; E A Burton; N R Gompertz; R J Graham; J P Hill; S E Jones; A Y Leung; N E Lodder; C G W Malson; A J Wallett; S P M Wynne; M S Young Min
Pass: R C Andrews; F M Armstrong; K J Barber; M R Baum; J L Bosley; S B C Bassey; S L Berridge; T R Betts; J L Boden; R L Boon; A Burdett; L H H Cheng; D Clark; F J Clark; C M A Coward; M J Davis; R Desmahondas; A J Dodd; M N Dunn; J M Eastland; C R Edwards; K Elliott; C I Elliott; M A Embleton; H Estyn-Jones; C R Evans; S J Fearn; M J Field; R J H Fitter; J Fox; M I Fraiwell; H E Gaston; P C L Gillies; S Grant; C A Gordon; S E Gosling; R J Hanks; C Harrison; P A Harrison; E L Hartshorn; D G Herald; M L Herron; G M Hill; R M F Hill; S C Hill; D A Hood; S J Houghton; C J Hughes; C M Hulley; S M Irwin; P Jairad; M W James; J P Jeannon; H E Jones; H L Jones; S E Jones; P R Knight; R A Lambert; R C W Lavelle; P N T Linton; E Lomou; G M Love; J B Lucy; J L Mackin; K J Macmaster; C V MacVicar; M K Makin; S T Malone; J Marchant; P H Mason; S J F Matty; J C Mayhew; S J Meier; G C Mercurio; H E Meredith; J E Mills; S J R Motir; P A S Moore; R E Myers; H K A Napier; K L Newton; T Newton; J M Nicholson; W P Nolan; C M O'Brien; M T O'Donovan; D W Oliver; R Pankhania; A P Parker; P W Parsons; R C Patel; C H F Pilley; L J Pooll; N M Price; K K Ray; I W Rock; J W Rockett; I D Russell; L B Santori; P B Saunders; J W Scrivens; L Seborne; P J Shirley; D Sialepre; J B Stanton; A D Staniforth; A J Sterne; A L Stock; M Thomas; S D Tomlin

Ali shuffle is slower yet the mind still sparkles

The definitive view of the life of Muhammad Ali is hilarious, sad, moving and hopeful. Srikumar Sen, Boxing Correspondent, recalls a man better known than the five American presidents of his day

Memory is a strange thing. You usually remember people as you last saw them, not as they used to be. That is why it is difficult to remember Muhammad Ali as the Ali of old: the man who was fast as a camera click, the original rap artist and old master who would have left Grand Master speechless, the man who left Hammer Henry looking like a Hammer Horror.

These days, he walks slowly, talks softly and never raises his hand other than to greet a friend or to sign Muslim prayers for his admirers. When he enters an arena, heads still turn and he raises the loudest cheer.

He is still the greatest, the handsomest, the straightest and tallest, the "onliest"; but you never see beyond the man before you — "a deeply religious man who evokes feelings of respect and love", as his biographer, Thomas Hauser, says.

Last night, Ali was due to meet his old rival, Henry Cooper, at a charity dinner at Grosvenor House in London. They last met 25 years ago and, this time, they were to join forces to strike a blow for retired boxers and actors — only for Ali to be held up in Abu Dhabi. Had he made it, the old times would have come flooding back. All the old questions. What about the phantom punch that knocked out Liston? Did Angelo Dundee really tear the gloves to gain time against Henry Cooper? How did Ali become so slow? Was boxing to blame? How many times have we asked ourselves these questions and never believed we have found the answers? That was why Ali's wife, Lonnie, asked Hauser to write the definitive biography of Ali. Lonnie said: "People don't know the real Muhammad. All they see is the man the media exposed them to but there are so many more sides to him."

Hauser, a New York attorney and author who is best known for *Missing*, which became an Academy Award-winning film, took on the task and has come up with a superb book. *Muhammad Ali. His Life And Times* looks at the former world heavyweight's life through the eyes of relations, friends and enemies.

It is a hilarious, sad, moving and hopeful book. Hauser gives a clear picture of a sometimes chaotic world of a thoroughly individualistic man. You understand why he was better known to people around the world than the five American presidents who held office during his boxing career. Ali silenced those who hated him for changing his slave name of Cassius Clay, and espousing the Muslim cause, and wanted to see his lip buttoned. He earned respect for black sportsmen all over the world; he strengthened the anti-war movement by telling the draft board during the Vietnam war: "I ain't got no quarrel with the Viet Cong."

No punches are pulled in the book. Don King, the promoter, is castigated for promoting the disgraceful bout between an ageing Ali and Larry Holmes, during which Ali could have suffered a heart attack or a stroke because of thyroid medication.

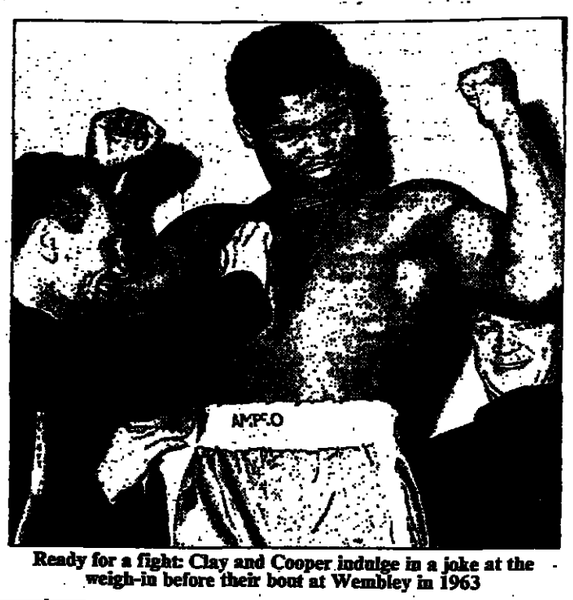
John Schulian, formerly of the *Chicago Sun-Times*, says: "I hate to think that that's what life is about or that's what boxing is about . . . a human sacrifice for power and money. One of the great symbols of our time was tarnished."

According to Dr Dennis Cope, of the UCLA Medical Center, Ali's consultant at present, boxing was to blame. "So far as I know," Dr Cope says, "if Muhammad had not been a professional fighter, none of these problems would have occurred."

Apart from his Parkinsonism, Ali is in good health. Dr Cope says: "Muhammad's kidneys, lungs and heart are in good shape. The thyroid medication he took before the Holmes fight has had no long-term effect . . . I don't expect any progressive deterioration. He can still do the Ali shuffle, although more slowly. His thought processes are clear. He thinks perceptively . . . he is not what is commonly known as 'punch drunk'."

Ali's final words confirm Dr Cope's opinion. Looking at the ills of the world, he says: "People say I had a full life. But I ain't dead. I'm just getting started . . . the whole world is in trouble." He ends his 600-word statement with: "and, by the way, I'm going to find out who stole my bike when I was 12-year-old in Louisville and I'm gonna whup him. That was a good bike."

Muhammad Ali. His Life And Times (Robson Books, £16.95)



Ready for a fight: Clay and Cooper indulge in a joke at the weigh-in before their bout at Wembley in 1963

British tennis has a long way to go despite a welcome Davis Cup victory over Austria

Pickard calls for radical rethink

By Andrew Longmore, Tennis Correspondent

AFTER the rare and unbridled success of the British team at the Davis Cup in Manchester, it would be as churlish to deny due praise as it would be unwise to foster delusions of grandeur now that, for the first time in four years, Britain is one of the leading 16 nations in the world.

The simple fact is that Britain disposed of a half-strength Austrian side, who showed rather more enthusiasm for football than tennis on the lawns of the Northern Tennis Club, and did so with a conviction and professionalism absent in recent years.

Echoing the win over Poland in May, the British team had completed victory by the end of the second day, making yesterday's reverse singles — in which Jeremy Bates lost in three sets to Gerald Mandl and Mark Petchey's match with Thomas Buchmayer was abandonded in the first set tie-break because of rain — was largely irrelevant.

Equally plain is the fact that the highest British player, Jeremy Bates, is ranked No. 186 and that, when the draw for the world group of the Davis Cup is made in just over two weeks time, Britain will find themselves so far out of their depth the lifeboat might have to be called out.

Neither Germany, Sweden, the United States nor any one of the other five seeds awaiting Britain next year will prove as soft a touch as the Austrians have over the past three days.

Tony Pickard, the British captain, knows that well enough and is under no illusion that the accumulated ills of British tennis have been banished by one glorious victory, completed when Jeremy Bates and Nick Brown won the doubles in four sets on Saturday.

"I don't honestly believe that there will be that much progress until we accept the fact that all the kind and well-meaning people on the Lawn Tennis Association know absolutely nothing whatsoever about professional tennis, and we put a structure into place in which professionals run the professional game," he said. "It would take a revolution. One surge forward, like we have had this week, is not enough, believe me."

The criticism is not new but it has been lent extra weight by the performance of the British team under the six months of Pickard's leadership. Mark Petchey's transformation from jittery novice to sound professional in his defeat of Thomas Muster, 286 places higher in the rankings, was a tribute to the captain's powers of motivation.

It also begged a number of questions. How many more Petcheys are there up and down the country capable of far more than they are achieving? Why, when he *can* play as well and as consistently as he did against Muster, is Petchey himself still ranked No. 324?

"There have to be people who can play but who we never see because they don't have the right direction," Pickard said. "We have to stop talking about finding saviours of British tennis and Wimbledon champions because it's garbage. Everyone who says it is talking garbage. We need what has happened over the last two Davis Cup matches, systematically, to go through the whole system."

Typically, the prospect of pitching his team of underdogs against players of the pedigree of Boris Becker and Michael Stich, or Andre Agassi and John McEnroe, does not unduly perturb Pickard. "We will prepare and do all the work we believe is necessary to play and give a professional account of ourselves," he said.

Ironically, Pickard's one problem — one not entirely anticipated when he took the job in March — is that he will be busy with Stefan Edberg at the Australian Open until the weekend before the tie at the end of January.

Perhaps, the International Tennis Federation will do the decent thing and draw Britain and Sweden together so that Pickard can prepare both teams at once.

RESULTS

(GB names first): J Bates bt T Buchmayer, 6-2, 4-6, 6-3, 7-5; M Petchey bt T Muster, 6-2, 3-6, 7-6, 6-2; Bates and N Brown bt Muster and G Mandl, 6-7, 6-3, 6-2, 7-5; Bates lost to Mandl, 5-7, 4-6, 8-10; Petchey level with Buchmayer, 6-6 (abandoned — rain)

GERRY CROWTHER

Smashing timing: Bates on his way to Davis Cup defeat against Mandl at the Northern Tennis Club yesterday

French toast their return to Cup final

PAU, France (Reuter) — Guy Forget and Arnaud Boetsch guided France safely into the final of the Davis Cup on Saturday when they won the doubles in the semi-final against a Yugoslavia team that lacked the Croatians, Goran Ivanisevic and Goran Prpic.

The French pair beat Slobodan Zivojinovic and Srdjan Muskatirovic 6-4, 6-3, 6-2, in one hour 40 minutes to give their team an unbeatable 3-0 lead and seal their place in the final for the first time in nine years.

Forget and Boetch, who was playing his first Davis Cup match, were never troubled by the Yugoslavs and the inexperience of the teenaged Muskatirovic was all too obvious.

The French broke the young Serb's serve in each set to put themselves in a winning position and neither Frenchman was broken during the match.

"I'm happy beause we've rarely played to our potential in the Davis Cup in the past," said non-playing French captain Yannick Noah.

Forget had beaten Muskatirovic in straight sets in Friday's opening singles before Fabrice Santoro, aged 18, won a tight five-setter against Zivojinovic to give the French a 2-0 overnight lead. Forget completed the French triumph yesterday when he beat Zivojinovic 6-1, 3-6, 6-2.

Noah said France expected to host the final, probably against the United States, who enjoyed a 2-0 lead against Germany in the other semi-final in Kansas City before Michael Stich, the Wimbledon champion, teamed up with Eric Jelen to beat the American doubles pairing of Scott Davis and David Pate 7-6, 6-4, 6-4.

Zivojinovic, meanwhile, put sport into perspective when he sounded a sombre note on the troubled situation in his country: "It's not good to be here and to know that over there people are dying."

"A few days ago, one of my friends was killed. It will be very difficult to find a solution but I really hope one will be found, for everyone's sake."

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RUGBY LEAGUE

Warrington hand out a lesson in top-flight survival

Warrington 42
Featherstone Rovers .. 24

By Keith Macklin

IT HAD been anticipated that Rovers' early leadership of the first division would come under serious attack at Fortress Wilderspool, and after a closely fought first half, Warrington's second-half onslaught demolished the Featherstone pretences.

At half-time it was 16-12 after Rovers had twice fought back to level the scores at 12-12. In the second half it was pretty well one-way traffic as Warrington produced the sort of storming performance that is their hallmark at home, though they rarely equal it away from Wilderspool. Rovers never gave up the fight, with Fox a tireless worker at scrum half, and they had the last word with their fourth try scored by Manning.

However, the harsh realities of life at the top were hammered home by Warrington after a brief Featherstone flirtation with the heights.

The outstanding display for the home side came from Myler, bearer of a famous rugby league name, who has been putting in some sterling performances on the wing. He was pressed into service at full back in the absence of Lyon, and responded with two tries and a consistent all-round performance which made him a popularly acclaimed man of the match.

The award might have gone to the Welshman Ellis, back at scrum half with Crompton injured. He and and the opposing No 7, Fox, fought a marvellous battle of wits, and it would be hard to separate them in terms of their skilful prompting and continuous work rate. Ellis scored a try himself when he kicked through and got the benefit of a fumble, and he had a hand in at least two of the remaining seven home tries. His half back partner, Darbyshire, who normally plays centre, also had a thoroughly satisfying game and finished off the best movement of the match.

Referee Gerry Kershaw angered the Warrington crowd by disallowing two touchdowns in order to award penalties to the home team.

Rovers produced enough in attack, particularly in a closely contested first half, to demonstrate that their sojurn at the top was not without justification. They will trouble most sides in the top division, particularly if they can tighten the worrying holes in their defence. Iti, the Featherstone forward, was taken to hospital with a suspected broken leg.

SCORERS: Warrington: Tries: Myler (2), Darbyshire (2), Ellis, Sumner, Thomley (2). Goals: Rudd (5). Featherstone Rovers: Tries: Clark, Butt, Smales, Manning. Goals: Fox (4).

WARRINGTON: R Myler; D Drummond, A Bateman, C Rudd, T Thomley; P Darbyshire, K Ellis; R Jackson, D Mann, P Sumner, G Mercer, M Gregory, P Cullen.

FEATHERSTONE ROVERS: C Bibb; I Butt, I Smales, T Manning, O Simpson; T Sharp, D Fox; C Burton, T Clark, G Price, C Iti, G Rose, B Tuuta.

Referee: G Kershaw (Easingwold).

Bishop's moves save St Helens

By Keith Macklin

AFTER just three games of championship rugby, St Helens are the only unbeaten side in the first division.

They will consider themselves lucky to have survived a second-half onslaught by Swinton, and can thank their half back, Bishop, who squirmed his way through late in the game for the winning try and tacked on the goal. Castleford's high hopes of retaining their unbeaten record and great start to the season ended at home to Leeds. In a tense and bruising match, Leeds had two tries by Creasser and one by Schofield, who dropped a goal and was sent to the sin bin, a rarity for one of the most even-tempered players.

Wigan, despite the absence of Edwards and Skerrett, again demonstrated that they will be contenders, hammering Hull at the Boulevard. Betts had another outstanding game in the Wigan pack; scoring two tries, and Botica scored a try and landed seven goals.

Widnes have their troubles off the field with discontented players, but they got it right on the pitch against previously unbeaten Hull Kingston Rovers. The four Widnes tries came from Hulme, Myler, Currier and Davies, with Davies kicking four goals.

STONES BITTER CHAMPIONSHIP: First division: Bradford 48, Salford 24, Castleford 8, Leeds 13; Halifax 28, Wakefield 18; Hull 4, Wigan 30, Swinton 12, St Helens 16; Warrington 42, Featherstone 24; Widnes 24, Hull KR 6.

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
St Helens	3	3	0	0	74	42	6
Wigan	3	2	0	1	82	60	4
Castleford	3	2	0	1	64	49	4
Warrington	3	2	0	1	84	71	4
Featherstone	3	2	0	1	86	74	4
Widnes	3	2	0	1	54	42	4
Leeds	3	2	0	1	43	34	4
Hull KR	3	2	0	1	48	50	4
Bradford	3	1	0	2	78	64	2
Swinton	3	1	0	2	49	46	2
Wakefield	3	1	0	2	48	63	2
Halifax	3	1	0	2	56	82	2
Salford	3	0	0	3	54	88	0
Hull	3	0	0	3	28	81	0

SECOND DIVISION: Leigh 32, Carlisle 22; London Crusaders 22, Sheffield 44; Rochdale 68, Ryedale York 14.

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Workington	2	2	0	0	54	26	4
Leigh	3	2	0	1	75	78	4
Rochdale	3	1	1	1	110	60	3
Oldham	2	1	1	0	82	35	3
Sheffield	3	1	1	1	72	61	3
Carlisle	3	1	1	1	63	82	3
London Crus.	3	1	0	2	58	82	2
Ryedale York	3	0	0	3	42	132	0

THIRD DIVISION: Batley 48, Nottingham 4, Bramley 2, Huddersfield 14; Chorley 8, Barrow 54, Doncaster 22, Dewsbury 12; Highfield 18, Keighley 28; Hunslet 40, Trafford Borough 6, Scarborough Pirates 16, Whitehaven 14.

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Doncaster	3	3	0	0	122	26	6
Batley	3	3	0	0	90	35	6
Dewsbury	3	2	0	1	116	43	4
Scarborough P	3	2	0	1	88	40	4
Keighley	3	2	0	1	92	71	4
Highfield	3	2	0	1	71	54	4
Hunslet	3	2	0	1	79	70	4
Huddersfield	3	2	0	1	55	47	4
Barrow	3	1	0	2	84	50	2
Bramley	2	1	0	1	50	26	2
Whitehaven	3	0	0	3	38	62	0
Trafford Bor.	2	0	0	2	20	69	0
Chorley	3	0	0	3	32	168	0
Nottingham C.	3	0	0	3	14	190	0

Eccles loaned

Rochdale Hornets have signed Cliff Eccles, the Trafford Borough rugby league forward, on a three-month loan.

GOLF

Scottish duo repel late continental comeback

By Patricia Davies

IN TRADITIONAL Scottish conditions of wind and rain at Nairn on Saturday, Great Britain and Ireland weathered their buffeting by the elements and, to a lesser extent, by Europe, to win the Vagliano Trophy for the fifth time in a row, by 13½ points to 10½.

Three points ahead after the first day, the home side gave themselves and their supporters the heebie-jeebies by losing the top three foursomes on the second morning. However, the thin tartan line of Catriona Lambert and Elaine Farquharson held firm to see off the Swedes, Maria Bertilskold and Asa Gottmo, on the 16th.

The singles were delayed as driving rain made it difficult to distinguish the course from the Moray Firth (it is possible to drive into the sea on the first seven holes, something achieved by Willie Whitelaw during his 60-odd years as a member), and it was all hands to the squeegees. As the skies brightened so did the home prospects.

England's Joanne Morley and Julie Hall strengthened their chances of a Curtis Cup place at Hoylake next year by winning the top two matches and, at the bottom, Lambert, a Cup certainty if ever there was one, always had her match in hand.

It was left to Caroline Hall, from Bristol, the youngest member of the side at 17, to secure the winning point, with a two-hole victory over Laura Navarro, of Spain. Hall, increasingly impressive, had four birdies and an eagle coming home, the kind of scoring that would be most welcome against the Americans next summer at Hoylake.

Ita Butler, the home captain, praised her side's spirit, while Marion Thannhauser, the continental captain, rightly pinpointed her team's poor showing in the opening foursomes (only half a point out of four) as the crucial difference.

The next match is scheduled for France in two years' time.

RESULTS: GB and Ire 13½, Europe 10½: Foursomes (GB and Ire names first): J Morley and C Hourihane lost to D Bourson and V Michaud, 2 and 1; V Thomas and F Edmond lost to C Quintarelli and M Hagemann, 5 and 4; N Buxton and C Hall lost to S Cavalieri and M Fischer, 5 and 4; C Lambert and E Farquharson bt M Bertilskold and A Gottmo, 3 and 2. Singles: Morley bt Michaud, 4 and 3; J Hall bt Bertilskold, 4 and 2; Edmond lost to Bourson, 6 and 5; Farquharson lost to Quintarelli, 1 hole; C Hall bt L Navarro, 2 holes; Hourihane bt Hagemann, 1 hole; Thomas lost to Fischer, 6 and 5; Lambert bt Cavalieri, 4 and 3.

HOCKEY

Forwards fail to penetrate

Great Britain 0
Pakistan 1

From Sydney Friskin in Berlin

GREAT Britain's hopes of a Champions Trophy medal vanished on Saturday night after their defeat by Pakistan, who could have won more comfortably if chances had been seized.

Britain played with a lot of spirit in a hard, tense game, but were handicapped by an attack which was unable to put sufficient pressure on a top-class defence. There is a difference between doing good work and making the right sort of impact, and none of the British forwards was able to do that.

Kerly worked hard and faded out. He is surely not as fast nor as fit as he was, and is unlikely to be. Thompson troubled the Pakistan defence to some extent but could not get the short pass he prefers. Williams was industrious on the right wing but none of his centres was properly seized.

All this happened despite adequate support from behind.

Yet, in the early minutes Britain played sharply enough to force three short corners, all of which led to injuries to Pakistan defenders and consequent hold-ups.

Many more delays were to follow and the match, scheduled for 70 minutes, took an hour and 40 minutes to complete. There was, of course, the usual 10-minute interval.

Once Pakistan went ahead from a short corner converted by Khalid Bashir in the fourth minute, Pakistan searched for more goals.

Bashir tried to score from another short corner, which caused an injury to Bolland and another hold-up. Britain then squandered their fourth short corner. They eventually finished with five of these, compared to Pakistan's three.

The best chance Britain had to equalise arrived about midway in the second half, when Clift picked up a centre from the right, only to miss with a feeble shot. After that, Pakistan's own profligacy denied them further goals.

GREAT BRITAIN (Eng unless stated): S Rowlands; P Bolland, S Martin (N Ire), J Potter, J Laslett, S Nicklin, D Williams (sub, J Shaw), R Garcia, R Thompson, S Kerly (sub: R Davis), R Clift

PAKISTAN: Shahid Ali Khan; Rana Mujahid, Khalid Bashir, Anjum Saed, Farhat Khan, Kwaja Junaid, Qamar Ibrahim (sub, Mohammed Shahbaz), Tahir Zaman, Mussadiq Hussain, Shahbaz Ahmed, Wasim Feroze.

Umpires: N Stepanov (USSR) and A Morales (Spain)

FINAL TABLE

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Germany	5	3	2	0	12	6	8
Pakistan	5	3	1	1	14	8	7
Netherlands	5	2	1	2	12	10	5
Australia	5	2	1	2	8	8	5
Britain	5	1	2	2	4	6	4
Soviet Union	5	0	1	4	7	19	1

Fourth German title

GERMANY won their fourth Champions Trophy, which they last won at Lahore in 1988, after a deserved 2-0 victory over Australia in Berlin yesterday (Sydney Friskin writes).

Pakistan were left with the silver medal and the Netherlands the bronze. Australia, the winners on five previous occasions and for the last two years, left empty-handed for the first time since the tournament began in 1978.

Britain finished fifth with the consolation of having qualified for the fourteenth Champions Trophy at Karachi in February. The Soviet Union, who finished last, lose their place at Karachi to France.

Yesterday Germany were superior and goals by Becker in the seventh and sixtieth minutes sealed victory. Australia had two chances in the second half. The Netherlands beat the Soviet Union 5-1. On Saturday Australia won the women's event, beating South Korea 2-1.

MOTOR SPORT

Hoy is forced to play the waiting game

By Stephen Slater

WILL Hoy, the British touring car championship leader, must wait two more weeks to clinch his title at the final round of the series after a disastrous race at Thruxton in Hampshire.

He snatched the lead from his title rival, John Cleland, in the opening laps before a spectacular move by Steve Soper took him ahead on the seventh lap. Hoy's BMW then spun down the field and he retired with suspension damage after a collision at the chicane.

Cleland, who dropped back to eighth with tyre problems, was almost blinded by exhaust fumes entering his Vauxhall through damaged bodywork.

RESULTS: British touring car championship: 1, S Soper (GB), BMW M3, 20 laps, 27min 50.50sec (101.54mph); 2, J Palmer (GB), BMW M3, 27:52.66; 3, A Hahne (Ger), BMW M3, 28:03.14; 4, A Rouse (GB), Toyota Carina, 28:06.89; 5, R Bellm (GB), BMW M3, 20:07.12; 6, K Odor (GB), Nissan Primera, 28:17.06

British Formula 3000 championship (Silverstone): 1, F Ekblom (Swe), Lola-Cosworth, 45 laps, 38:21.02, 116.09mph; 2, J Elliott (GB), Reynard-Cosworth, 38:29.59; 3, R Dean (GB), Lola-Mugen, 38:50.67; 4, J Policand (Fr), Reynard-Cosworth, 38:52.70; 5, J Westwood (GB), Lola-Cosworth, 38:53.60

TODAY'S FIXTURES

CRICKET

Britannic Assurance Challenge

10.30 (four days)

CHELMSFORD: Essex v Victoria.

FOOTBALL

7.30 unless stated

GM Vauxhall Conference

Kidderminster v Macclesfield (7.45) ...

NEVILLE OVENDEN COMBINATION: Chelsea v Portsmouth (2.00); Crystal Palace v Reading; Luton v Millwall.

FA CUP: First round qualifying: Second replay: Frickley v Harrogate.

PONTINS CENTRAL LEAGUE: First division: Aston Villa v Coventry (7.00). Second division: Leicester v Oldham (7.00); Stoke v York (7.00).

HFS LOANS LEAGUE: Premier division: Emley v Bishop Auckland, Hyde v Horwich

CLIFTON STOCKBROKERS LEAGUE: Cheltenham v AFC Bournemouth; Exeter v Yeovil.

NORTHERN COUNTIES EAST LEAGUE: Premier division: Sheffield v Sutton Town.

GREAT MILLS LEAGUE: Premier division: Clevedon v Minehead

DIADORA LEAGUE: Premier division: Bognor v Marlow, First division: Stevenage Borough v Wembley. Second division: Ruislip Manor v Rainham.

RUGBY LEAGUE

STONES BITTER CHAMPIONSHIP: Second division: Workington v Oldham.

OTHER SPORT

BOWLS: County match: Somerset: Executive Ashley Mobile Communications Trophy (at Fosseway).

SNOOKER: Asian Open qualifying tournament (Stoke).

YACHTING: Six Metre world championships (Torbay).

Students provide back-row problems for the seniors in their final examination at Cambridge

Cutting edge eludes England

England Students 0
England XV 35

By DAVID HANDS
RUGBY CORRESPONDENT

ENGLAND wound up their match preparations for the World Cup with an aggregate from three games of 122 points to their credit and only four against, no serious injury doubts but with the knowledge that the next set of black shirts they see will be filled with very large New Zealanders.

It was a neat touch to clad England Students in All Black attire at Cambridge on Saturday – "It let the boys get used to having black shirts swarming all round them," Geoff Cooke, the team manager, said, shrugging off any other psychological advantage.

But, try as you may, it is impossible to recreate the atmosphere, the pace and the tension of an international, particularly an international against New Zealand, against whom England will begin the World Cup on October 3.

In that respect the Soviet national side, though it conceded 53 points, posed England most questions of the three teams they have played this month. Inevitably England have been expected to romp through these games and, equally inevitably, keyed-up opponents have got in the way; it has therefore been a search for quality of performance rather than quantity of points. Happily for England, the question of defeat has never remotely threatened, unlike for the beleaguered Irish.

Thus far England have been unable to produce sufficient sustained quality to encourage thoughts of defeating New Zealand (with the proviso that we are uncertain about the shape the All Blacks will arrive in on Thursday, given the injuries they have sustained in recent weeks).

Cooke admitted: "The students were able to open us up a couple of times in the back-row area, which is a cause for concern. We spilled more ball in contact than we would have liked and were a bit disappointed with the error count."

England have yet to come to terms with a style of refereeing that demands they play the game on their feet. At Gloucester and at Grange Road, Fred Howard and Ed Morrison allowed little latitude for players who went beyond the ball to make it safe for their own team, having in mind the World Cup referee assessor panel's policy that the officials who procede farthest in the tournament will be those who keep the game dynamic.

None the less England won by four goals, two tries and a penalty goal to nil and were sufficiently at ease to swop their wings round during the game and try Leonard at tight-head prop when Probyn went off at half-time with a minor injury. Halliday played like a man who does not acknowledge the barrier that Carling's presence places in his way to a spot in the "first XV" and some neatly timed passing worked Underwood and Webb into space for tries.

The students coped cheerfully with an absence of possession. Milward was fruitfully involved in everything. Fielden was a notable presence in midfield and Lumsden was solid under some spiralling high balls from Andrew – which usually arrived at the same time as Halliday, an old friend from Bath. Peters has improved, too, from the last two seasons in a somewhat muscle-bound Loughborough side.

Moon exposed an at-times lacklustre England back row, in which Richards looks to be waiting for the real thing. Much use was made of Winterbottom to link with the midfield but, though the flanker scored the first try, England found it hard to gain the impetus they would have liked.

However 17 points in the first half and 18 in the second kept a large crowd happy, though their sympathies lay broadly with England's tomorrow rather than their today.

SCORERS: England XV: Tries: Underwood (2), Winterbottom, Guscott, Webb, Teague. Conversions: Webb (4) Penalty goal: Webb

ENGLAND STUDENTS: A Lumsden (Bath University), A Parton (Cambridge University), M Fielden (Harper Adams AC), L Boyle (Leicester Polytechnic), H Thorneycroft (Trent Polytechnic), D Willetti (Exeter University), R Moon (Polytechnic of Wales, capt); C Clark (Swansea University), T Beddow (Cheltenham and Gloucester College), J Mallett (West London HE), C Tarbuck (West London HE), A Milward (Loughborough University), S Shortland (Loughborough University), G Adams (Bath University), E Peters (Loughborough University)

ENGLAND XV: J Webb (Bath); N Heslop (Orrell), S Halliday (Harlequins), J Guscott (Bath), R Underwood (Leicester), R Andrew (Wasps, capt), D Morris (Orrell); J Leonard (Harlequins), B Moore (Harlequins), J Probyn (Askeans; rep, P Rendall, Askeans), M Teague (Gloucester), P Ackford (Harlequins), W Dooley (Preston Grasshoppers), P Winterbottom (Harlequins), D Richards (Leicester). Referee: E Morrison (Bristol).

☐ Ben Clarke, the former England Students No. 8, who joined Bath from Saracens this season, was sent off for stamping during his club's 10-9 win over Cardiff on Saturday, their first victory at the Arms Park.

DES JENSON

Running free: Underwood looks for space on the wing in England's World Cup warm-up game at Grace Road

Departure of Staples upstages the Irish

Gloucester 14
Ireland XV 13

By BRYAN STILES

CIARAN Fitzgerald wears the care-worn expression of an exasperated stage director at the last dress rehearsal before the big show. Like a good trouper, he tells everybody to stop fretting and assures them that it will be all right on the night.

The scene was played out in a narrow corridor outside the Irish dressing room under the Kingsholm main stand on Saturday. Fitzgerald's inquisitors were a group of worried Irish journalists and some puzzled English scribes seeking confirmation that this really was the best Ireland had to offer with their first World Cup game only a fortnight away.

They had been well beaten by a club side that had been defeated by a 30-point margin a week before by an England XV. The omens were not good.

"I am not disappointed; there are some good aspects to the side and we can quite easily get back to the way we were playing last season. Once the atmosphere of the World Cup is there . . ." Fitgerald sounded convinced but his audience were not so sure.

Fitgerald, the Ireland coach who led his country to the triple crown when he was captain, knows all about the way the pride and passion of the Irish can lift them to greater heights when national honour is at stake.

With the World Cup so close it was difficult to motivate players into risking injury, particularly against a Gloucester side so fired up at the prospect of marking their centenary with a prize scalp. Their tackling was always ferocious.

Jim Staples, the Ireland full back, went off with a head injury in the twentieth minute and finished the day in a neck brace. His departure marked the downfall of the Irish. Five minutes earlier he had scored a fine try as the Irish dominated most of the opening quarter.

They would have been 14 points ahead if Ralph Keyes had been on target with a dropped kick, penalty attempt and the conversion. Instead they lost their grip. They allowed a scrum to be taken five metres from their line when they were down to 14 men as Staples trudged off.

Normally another "injured" player would lie on the grass demanding attention until a replacement came on. Gloucester took advantage of the depleted defence to send in Jerry Perrins for an unconverted try to level the scores.

Two penalties from Tim Smith and a Simon Morris try gave Gloucester a 14-4 lead, but in the last five minutes Keyes kicked a penalty and converted a try by Dave Curtis to make the score look respectable.

SCORERS: Gloucester: Tries: Perrins, Morris. Penalty goals: T Smith (2) Ireland XV: Tries: Staples, Curtis. Conversion: Keyes. Penalty goal: Keyes.
GLOUCESTER: T Smith; J Perrins, D Caskie, S Morris, N Marment; N Matthews, M Hannaford; P Jones, J Hawker, R Phillips, P Ashmead, P Miles, D Sims, I Smith (capt), S Masters.
IRELAND XV: J Staples (London Irish, rep: K Murphy, Cork Constitution); S Geoghegan (London Irish, rep: N Barry, Garryowen), B Mullin (Blackrock), D Curtis (London Irish), J Clarke (Dolphin); R Keyes (Cork Constitution), R Saunders (London Irish); N Popplewell (Greystones), S Smith (Ballymena), D Fitzgerald (De La Salle Palmerston), P Matthews (Wanderers, capt), D Lenihan (Cork Constitution), M Galwey (Shannon), G Hamilton (Ballymena), B Robinson (Ballymena).
Referee: M Bayliss (Gloucester).

RESULTS

Representative Matches

England XV	35	English Students	0
Irish Exiles	0	Ulster	39
Gloucester	14	Ireland XV	13

Pilkington Cup First round

Askeans	19	Havant	10
Berkers' Butts	6	Sudbury	3
Barnstaple	6	Richmond	26
Berry Hill	15	Malson	16
Camborne	17	Henley	13
Combe Down	25	Old Mid-Whit's	9
Fylde	17	Hereford	10
Halifax	17	Stourbridge	8
Harrogate	61	Nuneaton	4
Headingley	16	Pavlors	3
High Wycombe	16	Redruth	12
Lichfield	12	Tynedale	13
Lydney	29	Old Colfeians	15
Manchester	7	Broughton Pk	3
Met Police	9	Exeter	14
Otley	11	Winnington Pk	12
Reading	24	Sutton and E	23
Roundhay	18	Loughborough St	30
Ruislip	35	Lewes	7
Salisbury	16	Clifton	27
Sedcup	10	Thurrock	38
Stockton	17	Towcestrians	10
Torquay	10	Chesthunt	19
Widnes	16	Sheffield	19
Wigton	9	Moderns	3

McEwan's Scottish district championship

Anglo Scots	4	President's XV	32
Glasgow	16	North and Mid	3
South	22	Edinburgh	3

Club matches

Bedford	22	Aberavon	15
Boroughmuir	27	Ayr	0
Blackheath	19	L Irish	15
Bridgend	26	Saracens	13
Cardiff	9	Bath	10
Ebbw Vale	12	Moseley	16
Hawick	25	Gala	13
Heriots FP	6	Lanelquine	30
Kendal	3	N Gosforth	30
Liverpool St H	15	Wakefield	15
Llanelli	27	Harlequins	29
Maesteg	24	Coventry	22
Melrose	15	Glasgow Acads	9
Newport	38	Cross Keys	13
Northampton	21	Leicester	17
Nottingham	22	Neath	18
Orrell	24	Waterloo	12
Plymouth	19	Glamorgan Wndrs	29
Rugby	30	Sale	14
Selkirk	3	Jed-Forest	13
Swansea	26	Bristol	16
Wasps	34	Wanderers	9
W Hartlepool	31	Aspatria	0
Weston-s Mare	24	Tredegar	15

HEINZ FOUR NATIONS CUP: (over 34): England 38, Ireland 28, Scotland 34, Wales 30.

HEINEKEN WELSH LEAGUE: Third division: Aberavon Harlequins 13, Tenby Utd 53; Bonymaen 11, Blaina 17; Narberth 26, Treorchy 15; Rumney 6, Llandovary 12; Wrexham 15, Mountain Ash 8. Fourth division: Blackwood 15, Kenfig Hill 22; Pontypool Utd 10, Abercynon 0, St Peters 49, Kidwelly 6; Tumble 54, Ruthin 6; Ystradgynlais 6, Cilfynidd 38.

RACING

Hector Protector may join line-up for Ascot feature

By MICHAEL SEELY

FURTHER excitement was added to an already enthralling Queen Elizabeth II Stakes when Francois Boutin announced yesterday that Hector Protector is likely to take on Second Set and Kooyonga at Ascot on Saturday.

Stating that the intention was to switch the French 2,000 Guineas winner from the Breeders' Cup to a more immediate attack on the world's second most valuable mile race, Boutin said: "He's 90 per cent certain to run. We'll take a final decision after he's worked on Tuesday."

Hector Protector has tasted defeat only twice in 11 outings, firstly when failing to stay behind Generous in the Derby and more recently when a disappointing eighth behind his stable companion, Priolo, in the Prix du Moulin.

There are now eight probables for the £285,000 centrepiece of Brent Walker day, including Forty Niner Days, one of the best turf horses in the United States, who will work at Ascot on Wednesday.

Second Set, the Sussex Stakes winner, is likely to start favourite to repeat Markofdistinction's 1990 win for Luca Cumani. But Kooyonga, the Coronation Stakes winner, will also be a strong market order.

John Dunlop yesterday confirmed that Shadayid, second to Kooyonga at Royal Ascot, will reoppose while Mukaddamah, La Grange Music, Sikeston and Selkirk are the other likely starters.

Cumani also won the Brent Walker Fillies' Mile 12 months ago with Shamshir and he now saddles her half-sister, Fern, who was disqualified after finishing an unlucky second to Midnight Air in the May Hill Stakes. However, Henry Cecil, is hopeful that Midnight Air will confirm the Doncaster placings. "I see no reason why she shouldn't beat Fern again," he said. "I'm also very hopeful that Twist And Turn will run well in the Royal Lodge Stakes."

Bookmaker reaction to Dilum's defeat by Showbrook in the Rokeby Farms Mill Reef Stakes at Newbury on Saturday was for Hills to retain Rodrigo Di Triano as their 12-1 favourite for the 2,000 Guineas.

Arazi, conqueror of Showbrook in the Prix Robert Papin, is their 16-1 second choice. "I should think that's about right," said Geoffrey Gibbs, the senior Jockey Club handicapper. "I prefer the Champagne Stakes winner, although the French would be unlikely to agree."

As far as the immediate future is concerned, the most significant Newbury performances were put up by Palatial Style, who stormed home by seven lengths in the Courage Handicap, and by Talos, who was almost as convincing in winning the Coral Autumn Cup by three-and-a-half lengths.

Palatial Style is now second favourite at 12-1 behind Mellottie for the Cambridgeshire with Hills, a 5lb penalty bringing his weight to 9st 6lb. Peter Easterby may also run St Ninian.

Talos will carry a 4lb in Saturday's Krug Trophy at Ascot but still looks reasonably treated with 7st 11lb. However, this is a fiercely competitive affair with Deposki and Tidemark, the first two in the Ebor, and Nibbs Point, the Park Hill Stakes runner-up, all looking to have good chances. Nibbs Point is Hills's new favourite at 5-1.

Generous delights in Newbury workout

By MICHAEL SEELY

THE possibility of fog on the morning of the Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe and of a false pace in the race itself were Paul Cole's principal causes for concern yesterday after Generous's impressive pre-racing gallop at Newbury on Saturday.

"The only time the horse has been to France, he didn't eat, sleep or drink," Cole said. "I'd like to do what we did before the Irish Derby and send him over on the morning of the race. The only thing that could stop us would be a forecast of dense fog. So we'd have to have a contingency plan."

Last autumn Cole watched Snurge come home strongly but too late to take third place behind Saumarez. "The trouble is that they go flat out for a mile and then sit," the trainer added. "Last year Gerald Mosse stole it. He kicked before they got round the last bend."

Notwithstanding the trainer's fears, Alan Munro will have the dual Derby winner's proven stamina on his side as he seeks to blunt Suave Dancer's redoubtable burst of finishing speed for the second time. And the style of Generous's summary dismissal of Monarda as he sprinted six lengths clear of his lead horse in the last furlong at Newbury, delighted the trainer as much as it did the appreciative crowd.

Munro was on board the pacemaker and Tommy Jennings on Generous. "It was a perfect piece of work," said Cole. "Monarda did all he could. And he's a horse in form, having won at Bath on Monday. With Tommy being so much heavier than Alan, the three-year-old was giving a stone to the four-year-old."

Cole continued: "So much can go wrong in racing but if I can get him to Paris 100 per cent, I think he will win. He goes up to good horses, going so easily. And he's got a tremendous turn of foot when you let him go."

The trainer is also hopeful of a good showing from Snurge. "He'll have a great chance if the conditions go against Generous. The more boggy it is, the better he likes it."

Fast pace plays into hands of Turgeon

FROM OUR IRISH RACING CORRESPONDENT IN DUBLIN

A NEW York engagement cost Cash Asmussen a classic victory at the Curragh on Saturday when Tony Cruz deputised on the Jonathan Pease-trained Turgeon in the Jefferson Smurfit Memorial Irish St Leger. This was the first French success in the race since Ommeyad scored for Prince Aly Khan in 1957.

On a wet and windy day, the ground eased appreciably and the favourite Patricia was pushed out from 5-4 to 15-8 as punters seized on the proven stamina of Turgeon, who hardened from 9-2 to 3-1.

The fast pace set by Dowland, in the same colours as Patricia, proved a factor in the success of Turgeon, who was in the first three all the way. Going ahead early in the straight, he soon had his rivals under pressure.

Steve Cauthen reported that Patricia was "very disorganised in herself and, having been bumped about a bit, ran on when it was all over."

She took second place three lengths behind Turgeon and three-quarters of a length in front of Zafadola. Turgeon is now likely to go for a St Leger double in the Prix Royal-Oak.

St Jovite kept his unbeaten record in the Panasonic Smurfit EBF Futurity Stakes when holding the renewed challenge of Ben Hanbury's Tik Fa by a neck. Jim Bolger will now run the winner in the Grand Criterium at Longchamp on Saturday week.

Night Duty, Peter Chapple-Hyam's first Irish runner, was beaten a length by Safety Tactic in the Salora EBF Round Tower Stakes.

Curragh details

Going: good

3.55 JEFFERSON SMURFIT MEMORIAL IRISH ST LEGER (Group I) (£30,600 1m 6f)
TURGEON gr h Caro - Reiko (G Strawbridge) 5-9-6 (3-1) A Cruz 1.
Patricia ch f Assert - Passionist (Sheikh Mohammed) 3-8-9 (15-8 fav) S Cauthen 2.
Zafoodla gr f Darshaan - Zarafa (Aga Khan) 3-8-9 (9-1) J P Murtagh 3.
ALSO RAN: 11-2 Eileen Jenny (5th), 8 Great Marquess (6th), 16 Persian Halo (8th), 20 Dowland (9th), 25 Muir Station (4th), 40 Super Flame (last), 100 Arcane (7th). 10 ran. 3l, ¾l, 3l, hd, 10l. J Pease in France. Tote £3.80; £1.50, £1.80, £1.90. DF £3.80. CSF £8.40.

Llandovery show league's appeal

Rumney 6
Llandovery 12

By GERALD DAVIES

A TRIP to the open but modest spaces of Llanrumney fields on the outskirts of Cardiff might be thought a cranky place to go, what with distinguished Bath visiting the Cardiff big-wigs up the road. But those traditional fixtures are losing currency, I am afraid. The leagues seem to be the thing.

On the other hand, it might be thought an eminently suitable location before the rich excesses of the World Cup. Like attending a health farm before Christmas, it concentrates the mind on simpler fare, although the yearning, you find, does not go away.

The match provided the vivid contrast which the leagues often brin, of Llandovery, from the farming community of the west and recently promoted to the Heineken Third Division, visiting Rumney, a club which serves three vast and crowded city estates and was fifth last season. It proved an exciting encounter.

Rumney, who were reduced to 14 men when lock Regan was sent off in the first half, lifted their performance to ensure, after being locked at 6-6, that Llandovery had to wait until five minutes before the end for Carwyn Davies, the former Llanelli and Wales wing, to win the game with a wonderful try in the corner. Carwyn Williams converted. Earlier Williams had dropped two goals for the visitors while Lee kicked two penalties for the home team.

What the teams lacked in speed and size they made up for in technique and an attitude which might put many a side from the upper divisions to shame. Regan's sending-off was a misfortune and bore no connection whatsoever to the game. No quarter was asked or given in the tackle, though.

The organisation in Rumney is an object lesson, too, for clubs with pretensions to seniority and superiority. They have just opened a new dining room, an extension to the changing rooms and the introduction of new gymnasium facilities are on the way. They put four senior teams and a youth team on the field every Saturday. And on Sunday they cater for over 120 children in the various age groups up to 16 years of age. They are all local players. The club serves the community. Small beer, perhaps, compared to certain clubs in England, but the traditions are notably different there.

Clearly, the repeated obituaries on the death of Welsh rugby only apply to the national team. There is teeming life underneath.

Perhaps, there lies the rub. The overwhelming majority of WRU general committee members represent these small, less fashionable, but hard-working clubs.

SCORERS: Rumney: Penalties: T Lee (2) Llandovery: Try: C Davies. Conversion: C Williams. Dropped goal: C Wilkems (2)

RUMNEY: P Bowen, E Ford, C Keating, A Poynitor, P St Clair, R Faces, T Lee, D Smith, M Parks, K Jones, M Young, P Regan, P Andrews, J Gooding (rep A Glavin), J Norman
LLANDOVERY: H Jones, A Rowlands, H Thomas, E Jones, C Davies, C Williams, A Davies, D Thomas, G Lewis, A Evans, C Davies, I Jones, W Williams, D Giles, N Clark
Referee: P Bolland (Newport)

Wycombe pile on pressure

High Wycombe 16
Redruth 12

By PETER BILLS

THE World Cup could have been a million miles away, not 12 days hence, at Kingsmead Road on Saturday. Delicious watercress beds edged one end of the ground, late-comers strolled on to the park minutes before kick-off to fill the touch-lines. There was not a hospitality package in sight.

Nobody could pretend this Pilkington Cup first round match was a classic. Redruth were bedevilled by errors, they failed lamentably to capitalise on an overwhelming lineout advantage, and never sustained any pressure. Thomas, recently returned from Plymouth Albion, kept them in contention with some high-quality goalkicking, but they could not threaten the scoreboard by any other means. One reason was High Wycombe's first-up tackling. They covered in numbers and forced the Redruth backs to run across the field. When errors occurred, the Wycombe back row was voracious in its search for the loose ball. Although their tight forwards were under increasingly heavy pressure in the scrummages, Wycombe's wily forwards used the wheel cleverly to protect their ball.

But Redruth still had more than enough possession to win. Wesson and Cook dominated the lineout, their front row was much the stronger, and Curtis was a powerful force in the loose. But too often his bursts were insufficiently supported.

A crude challenge on McGregor, who was pursuing his own kick ahead, cost Redruth a second-minute penalty try. Thomas put them level with two penalties before Gaster's first goal gave Wycombe a narrow 9-6 interval lead.

In the second half Redruth could still not achieve the control to match their possession. Thomas's third goal made it 9-9, but Redruth's increasing desperation triggered the decisive act. A poor, hurried pass under heavy pressure in midfield went loose, the ball was deflected and bounced up to Atta, who ran 50 yards to score.

Redruth's ball control and passing had been poor all day, a tribute to Wycombe's success in maintaining pressure despite adversity in several phases.

SCORERS: High Wycombe: Tries: Atta, penalty try. Conversion: Gaster. Penalty goals: Gaster (2) Redruth: Penalty goals: Thomas (4).
HIGH WYCOMBE: K Tilcombe; G McGregor, P Gaster, C Preston, A Atta; N Beal, M Davies; W Jeans, M Cartwright (sub: J Samuelo), C Hayward, F Watson, J R Bartlett, A Stone, J W Bartlett, M Cussell.
REDRUTH: K Thomas; A Knowles, S Enoch, T Mead, M Gomez; S Whitworth, C Whitworth; J May, A Rutter, R Keast, G Williams, M Wesson, J Kitto, A Curtis, T Cook.
Referee: M Cousins (RFU)

Otley trapped by their own tactic

Otley 11
Winnington Park 12

By MICHAEL STEVENSON

WINNINGTON Park snatched a late try and victory, by a goal and two penalties to two tries and a penalty, against Otley, newly promoted into division three, in the first round of the Pilkington Cup at Cross Green.

The clear superiority of the Otley pack especially in ruck and maul, encouraged them to play it tight, but this proved to be their undoing. If they had manoeuvred themselves into attacking positions and then released the ball with the visitors going backwards, there could only have been one result.

Petyt's early penalty was answered by two from Hall as Park dominated. But just before the interval Glyn Melville received on the right and passed inside to Booth, who scored, to make it 7-6 at half-time. On the resumption Chapman ran in for a fine try, which should have been converted.

There, at 11-6, the score languished until close to injury time. Park then ran it from deep, conjured an overlap for Bird and Otley were left floundering. Hall's spectacular conversion grabbed victory.

SCORERS: Otley: Tries: Booth, Chapman. Penalty: Petyt. Winnington Park: Try: Bird. Conversion: Hall. Penalties: Hall (2)
OTLEY: M Gray, G Melville, R Booth, R Petyt, J Walker; J Haworth, N Melville; N Markiew, M Barnett, S Rice, (rep: A Rayner), S Tipping, I Carroll, J Chapman, B Strachan, A Hargreaves.
WINNINGTON PARK: M Hall; A Bird, A Manicom, M Farr, J Owens, D Hill, J Farr; D Allcock, R Allcock, C Glasve, M Bebington, K Hanson, M Molyneux, B Johnson, S Bebington.
Referee: A Ivason

Veteran campaigners turn back the clock

THE generous side of rugby union was on display yesterday in the humble environs of Rochdale rugby club. The Heinz-sponsored four nations' cup, a charity event bringing together a side of over-35s to represent each of the home unions, was a reaffirmation of rugby's heart.

A few below the age barrier and some a lot over slipped in too, all keen to do their bit for the benefiting charity, the Spinal Injuries Association.

The individual stories of commitment by rugby's past and present players were extraordinary. Dr J. P. R Williams gave up his weekend off at the Bridgend Hospital to play and Tony Swift drove up from the West Country in the early hours of Sunday morning, after playing for Bath at Cardiff on Saturday.

Sadly Swift's contribution was spoiled by a hamstring pull early in the final between England and Wales.

Sponsors were found for each team and a dinner on Saturday evening raised £1,000 in a raffle. Unhappily the crowds declined from last year, with the organisers estimating that only 700 saw yesterday's final.

Peter Lever, the former Lancashire and England fast bowler who organised the event, was full of admiration for the generosity of everyone associated with the game. "These lads have been tremendous in giving up their time. Some took seven hours to get here from Hampshire and the West Country on Friday night," he said.

Wales, who beat Scotland 34-30 in the semi-finals, which were played on Saturday, won the final by beating England 42-20. England had beaten Ireland 38-26 in the other semi-final.

Lever: full of admiration

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VOLLEYBALL

Defeated Britain give signs of improvement

By a SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT

GREAT Britain took much encouragement from the men's Royal Bank International Cup at the Aston Villa sports centre, where they finished third behind Canada and Bulgaria.

Under Ralph Hippolyte, the Haitian-born coach, the improvement in Britain's performance on last year's event was demonstrated in all three of their matches.

There was honour in the final defeat by a strong Canadian side, in spite of losing 5-15, 9-15, 6-15. The Canadians, who have already qualified for next year's Olympics, were troubled by Britain more than any other team, and the British took more points from them than the Bulgarians or Greeks.

With his contribution over the three matches, Matthew Jones, who was playing in the third division of the English league less than two years ago, proved he has grown in stature. At 20, he proved that he can trouble any block – as he did against Canada – and has made astonishing progress in the past year.

There was also promise in the raw talent of the 6ft 7in-tall Marcus Russell, who only took up volleyball two years ago, but has shown that he could become a useful asset once he gets his blocking together.

RESULTS: Canada bt Greece, 3-0. Bulgaria bt Britain, 3-1; Canada bt Great Britain, 3-0 (15-5, 15-9, 15-6); Bulgaria bt Greece, 3-0 (15-5, 15-1, 15-13). Final placings: 1, Canada; 2, Bulgaria; 3, Great Britain, 4, Greece.

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Opera House can start to make up for lost time

MICHAEL PHILLIPS

WHEN Opera House walks into the paddock at Nottingham today before the Bentinck Graduation Stakes, racegoers will be getting their first glimpse this year of the one-time Derby favourite.

This well-bred colt went on many a classic short-list after an impressive racecourse debut at Leicester last October. Unfortunately for connections and ante-post punters, though, his Epsom preparations were ruined by joint problems in the spring.

This, then, is the first opportunity for Opera House to make up for lost time and recent homework on Newmarket heath has indicated that his patient supporters will not be disappointed.

Being by the supremely successful stallion, Sadler's Wells, out of the 1986 Irish Oaks winner, Colorspin, Opera House certainly has the pedigree that one would associate with a good horse.

Yet, so too does Rudimentary, one of his three rivals today. He is a half-brother to Kris and Diesis by Nureyev, fine stallions all. When Rudimentary danced home by 15 lengths at Yarmouth in August the sky seemed to be the limit.

However, he was brought down to earth with a bump in a race similar to today's, run over this very course and distance three weeks ago, when he finished a close third to Duc De Berry and Safa. On that showing, he will be hard-pressed to give Opera House 5lb.

Like Opera House, John Dunlop's highly-regarded three-year-old Aimaam has also had more than his fair share of problems both this year and last when he cracked a bone in his knee at Goodwood after winning his first two races.

Promising efforts behind Steerforth at Newmarket and Adversary at Newbury, after which he was lame again, still offer hope that all is not yet lost. However, I will be surprised if Opera House is beaten on this occasion.

For Steve Cauthen, he should be the second leg of a double, assuming that Royal Prussia manages to win the EBF Staunton Maiden Stakes, as well he should following promising efforts behind Phyliel at Newmarket and Daja at Yarmouth.

Cochrane: should enjoy field day at Folkestone

Paul Cole will be particularly keen to win the Unicorn Insurance Fillies Stakes since one of his greatest friends, Ben Leigh, is the managing director of the sponsoring firm.

In this instance, though, I am led to believe that Cole's runner, Up Anchor, could well be put in her place by the promising newcomer, Taroob, who is a full sister to that good colt Celestial Storm.

At Folkestone, it is not difficult to picture Ray Cochrane enjoying a field day with Quinta Royale (2.20), Sifton's Pride (2.50) and Phyliel (3.20) among his rides.

Sifton's Pride certainly ran well enough behind Mohican Girl at Sandown to suggest that she can win the Lysander Insurance Stakes while Phyliel showed that she ought to be capable of beating even Afif and Sylvan in the three-runner Walmer Stakes after winning so nicely at Newmarket.

Finally, Titch Wizard, who was such a creditable fourth in the race won by Afif at Folkestone earlier this month after winning three times earlier this season, is now napped to take full advantage of the conditions presented by the New Hall Claiming Stakes at Pontefract.

FOLKESTONE

MANDARIN

1.50 Here He Comes. 2.20 Quinta Royale. 2.50 Sifton's Pride. 3.20 Phyliel. 3.50 Zeboim. 4.20 Inkala.

THUNDERER

1.50 Abingdon Flyer. 2.20 Quinta Royale. 2.50 Cache. 3.20 Phyliel. 3.50 Chilboy. 4.20 Moot Point.

Richard Evans: 3.50 Zeboim.

GOING: GOOD TO FIRM

DRAW: 5F-6F, HIGH NUMBERS BEST

1.50 DEAL HANDICAP
(£2,589: 1m 1f 149yd) (13 runners)

1 2210 ABINGDON FLYER 12 (F) R Hannon 3-9-10 R Cochrane 10
2 0034 TANFIRION BAY 101 P Mitchell 3-9-3 S O'Gorman (3) 13
3 0113 FIRST AVENUE 11 (CD,BF,F) A Turnell 7-9-3 Paul Eddery 5
4 0103 MAY SQUARE 21 (F) D Morley 3-9-1 W R Swinburn 8
5 5000 PERSIKA 14 C Brittain 3-9-0 M Roberts 11
6 4042 HERE HE COMES 13 (G) W Carter 5-8-8 W Newnes 3
7 0000 OAKBOURNE 10 T Thomson Jones 3-8-5 B Whitworth 1
8 0500 SCENT OF BATTLE 63 M Haynes 3-8-5 B Rouse 4
9 0000 SNOW BLIZZARD 128 S Dow 3-8-2 G Baxter 12
10 5002 ERGANA 11 W Holden 4-7-11 T Williams 6
11 3-04 GILBERT'S GIRL 20 (BF) C Hill 4-7-7 R Fox 7
12 000/ SPIRIT SAM 786 I Campbell 6-7-7 R Price (5) 9
13 -088 EARTHLY PLEASURE 11 W Brisbourne 5-7-7 C Hawksley (7) 2

7-2 Abingdon Flyer, 4-1 Here He Comes, 5-1 First Avenue, 11-2 Ergana, 6-1 May Square, 9-1 Gilbert's Gill, 10-1 others.

2.20 HASTINGS SELLING STAKES
(£2,467: 1m 1f 149yd) (15)

1 0-00 NAILEM 13 (CJ,F) R Hoad 4-9-0 B Rouse 4
2 0-00 PACIFIC GEM 126 (F) R Curtis 4-9-0 W Newnes 3
3 -534 QUINTA ROYALE 7 (B,F) R Akehurst 4-9-0 R Cochrane 14
4 0610 SHANNON EXPRESS 20 (CD,F) J Pearce 4-9-0 M Roberts 11
5 5000 LE SAULE D'OR 7 (F) B McMath 4-8-9 J Reid 1
6 0546 BERLINS ASHES 18J J Jenkins 3-9-8 R Price (5) 10
7 0050 DEBUANJO 21 (B,F) J Jenkins 3-8-6 G Baxter 12
8 0000 FAST RUN 9 Pat Mitchell 3-8-8 S O'Gorman (3) 6
9 0023 MALINDI BAY 7 B McMath 3-8-8 T Williams 8
10 1505 TARMON 7 (B,F) W Muir 3-8-8 B Whitworth 15
11 0040 ABSALOUI 9 (G) W G M Turner 3-8-3 Paul Eddery 7
12 26R0 KATY'S PET 7 A Denson 3-8-3 R Fox 13
13 0 KINCHERINCHEE 124 R Hoad 3-8-3 A Clark 9
14 0046 SLIPSALOM 37 W Carter 3-8-3 N Carlisle 2
15 0640 WALK THIS WAY 7 (B) A Lee 3-8-3 C Rutter 5

3-1 Quinta Royale, 9-2 Absaloui, 5-1 Shannon Express, 8-1 Walk This Way, 9-1 Malindi Bay, 10-1 Tarmon, 14-1 others.

2.50 LYSANDER INSURANCE MAIDEN FILLIES STAKES (3-Y-O: £2,427: 1m 4f) (5)

1 06 CACHE 86 L Cumani 8-11 J Reid 2
2 64 DO THE RIGHT THING 23 A Stewart 8-11 M Roberts 4
3 55 ISLAND DESERT 13 Lord Huntingdon 8-11 W R Swinburn 3
4 3200 MY POLISHED CORNER 15 J Hills 8-11 B Rouse 1
5 4 SIFTON'S PRIDE 24 G Harwood 8-11 R Cochrane 5

5-6 Sifton's Pride, 4-1 Do The Right Thing, 6-1 Island Desert, 13-2 Cache, 10-1 My Polished Corner.

3.20 WALMER STAKES (2-Y-O: £3,127: 6f) (3)

1 3681 AFIF 11 (CD,F,S) Mrs J Cecil 9-2 Paul Eddery 2
2 1 PHYLIEL 55 (D,G) M Stoute 8-11 R Cochrane 1
3 2110 SYLVAN 58 (D,F,G) C Wall 8-11 W R Swinburn 3

4-9 Phyliel, 11-4 Afif, 6-1 Sylvan.

3.50 WESTENHANGER HANDICAP
(£2,650: 6f) (14)

1 4000 LUNA BID 7 (D,F,G,S) M Blanshard 8-10-0 R Cochrane 8
2 0045 CHILIBOY 2 (B,D,BF,F) J Dunlop 4-9-11 B Rouse 13
3 0000 TAUBER 9 (CD,F,G,S) Pat Mitchell 7-9-10 S O'Gorman (3) 7
4 0194 ZEBOIM 13 (B,D,F,G) W Muir 5-9-5 Kim McDonnell (7) 2
5 2240 ABSO 17 (V,D,G) R Hannon 3-9-1 J Reid 9
6 0500 CRONK'S QUALITY 9 (B,CD,F,G,S) G Lewis 9-9-13 S Cairns (7) 10
7 4200 TAPESTRY DANCER 9 M Haynes 3-8-5 R Fox 1
8 4542 PROUD BRIGADIER 20 W Carter 3-8-5 N Carlisle 8
9 4636 LONGWOOD LEGEND 18 (V) Pat Mitchell 3-8-0 D Harrison (7) 5
10 4100 MY RUBY RING 7 (D,F) D Laing 4-7-12 T Williams 3
11 5026 FOO FOO 32 D Marks 3-7-7 Antoinette Armes (7) 11
12 3400 GREATEST OF ALL 14 R Hannon 3-7-7 D Gibbs (7) 12
13 0604 MAJOR JACKO 32 (B,CD,F,S) R Hannon 8-7-7 C Hawksley (7) 14
14 0-00 HARRY'S JOY 9 C Hill 3-7-7 — 4

3-1 Zeboim, 9-2 Proud Brigadier, 5-1 Absо, 13-2 Chilboy, 10-1 Cronk's Quality, Major Jacko, 12-1 My Ruby Ring, 14-1 others.

4.20 PEDLINGE MAIDEN STAKES
(Amateurs: 3-Y-O: £2,244: 1m 7f 92yd) (9)

1 4005 AIR TIME 10 (B) P Mitchell 10-5 R Teal 8
2 0033 BLASKET HERO 116 R Akehurst 10-5 R Byrne (9) 9
3 3034 FIGHT TO WIN 28 (BF) I Balding 10-5 Clare Balding 5
4 0500 METAL OISEAU 51 K Ivory 10-5 D Marshall (7) 4
5 5 MOOT POINT 42 G Harwood 10-5 Amanda Harwood 1
6 3640 SURE PRIDE 21 (V) P Walwyn 10-5 P MacEwan 3
7 040 VALUED FRIEND 23 J Bridger 10-5 Madeline Bridger (3) 2
8 440 INKALA 12 J Eustace 10-0 Lydia Pearce 7
9 6 MISTFLOWER 7 D R Tucker 10-0 Susie Rowe (3) 6

7-4 Inkala, 3-1 Fight To Win, 4-1 Moot Point, 13-2 Sure Pride, 12-1 Air Time, 16-1 Blasket Hero, 25-1 others.

COURSE SPECIALISTS

TRAINERS: A Turnell, 5 winners from 12 runners, 41.7%; G Harwood, 21 from 55, 38.2%; L Cumani, 4 from 13, 30.8%; M Stoute, 8 from 27, 29.6%; A Stewart, 3 from 11, 27.3%; A Lee, 3 from 20, 15.0%.

JOCKEYS: W R Swinburn, 14 winners from 65 rides, 21.5%; R Cochrane, 24 from 128, 18.8%; M Roberts, 8 from 56, 14.3%; J Reid, 14 from 110, 12.7%; Paul Eddery, 11 from 88, 12.5%; W Newnes, 16 from 147, 10.9%.

RESULTS FROM WEDNESDAY'S EVENING MEETINGS

Newbury

Going: good to firm

1.30 (5f 34yd) 1, Magic Staps (M Roberts, 4-1); 2, Tino Tere (7-1); 3, Holetown (7-2 jt-fav). Hey Baba Riba 7-2 jt-fav. 8 ran. ¾l, ½l. C Brittain. Tote: £4.40; £1.70, £1.80, £1.20. DF: £14.50. CSF: £27.15. Tricast: £84.31. 1min 02.97sec.

2.05 (1m 5f 61yd) 1, Talos (D Holland, 14-1); 2, Castorist (14-1); 3, Belasani (5-2 fav). 14 ran. 3½l, 1l. B Hills. Tote: £18.30; £4.40, £5.50, £2.20. DF: £187.60. Tdo: £618.80. CSF: £180.71. Tricast: £599.39. 2min 47.76sec.

2.40 (1m 2f 6yd) 1, Palatial Style (M Birch, 7-2 fav); 2, Bold Bostonian (14-1); 3, Busted Rock (13-2). 11 ran. 7l, 1½l. M H Easterby. Tote: £4.80; £2.20, £3.70, £2.20. DF: £49.50. CSF: £46.70. Tricast: £281.93. 2min 03.97sec.

3.15 (6f 8yd) 1, Showbrook (W Carson, 4-1); 2, Jeune (9-2); 3, Dilum (5-6 fav). 5 ran. 2½l, 1½l R Hannon. Tote: £3.90; £1.60, £1.70. DF: £9.20. CSF: £19.29. 1min 13.95sec.

3.50 (1m 7yd) 1, Collide (W Newnes, 7-1); 2, Heart Of Darkness (7-1); 3, Green's Fernsley (3-1 fav). 9 ran. 3½l, ½l. H Candy. Tote: £9.10; £1.90, £1.70, £1.40. DF: £25.90. CSF: £46.61. 1min 36.55sec.

4.25 (6f 8yd) 1, Binkhaldoun (R Hills, 7-4 fav); 2, La Dama Bonita (7-1); 3, Glasgow (33-1). 22 ran. ¾l, 1½l. H Thomson Jones. Tote: £2.40; £1.60, £2.10, £12.20. DF: £11.10. CSF: £13.67. 1min 14.97sec.

5.00 (5f 34yd) 1, Viceroy (R Cochrane, 13-2); 2, Loft Boy (16-1); 3, Divine Pet (13-2). Chilboy 9-2 fav. 12 ran. 1½l, 3½l W Pearce. Tote: £7.20; £2.80, £3.80, £2.20. DF: £64.50. CSF: £97.70. Tricast: £652.06. 1min 02.14sec.

Jackpot: not won (pool of £2,495.95 carried forward to Ascot on Thursday). Placepot: £118.00.

Ayr

2.00 1, Green Turban (15-8 fav; Mandarin's nap); 2, Moutajah (5-1); 3, Rose Glen (11-2). 10 ran.

2.35 1, Red Ruffian (4-1 jt-fav); 2, She's Special (4-1 jt-fav); 3, Ned's Bonanza (9-2). Rose Of Eze 4-1 jt-fav. 7 ran. NR: Super Rocky.

3.10 1, Mamma's Too (14-1); 2, Harvest Girl (12-1); 3, Atmospheric Blues (14-1). Coffee Ice 11-4 fav. 9 ran. NR: Panchetilla, Nifty Fifty.

3.40 1, Vilamy (9-2 fav; Thunderer's nap); 2, Selmino (11-2); 3, Mummy's Emerald (10-1). 11 ran. NR: Colway Dominion.

4.10 1, Double Entendre (12-1); 2, Langtry Lady (12-1); 3, Beyond Our Reach (10-1); 4, Profit A Prendre (12-1). Tell No Lies 3-1 fav. 19 ran.

4.40 1, Virikon Venture (11-2); 2, Good Profile (12-1); 3, Final Deed (6-1). Swordstick 7-4 fav. 12 ran.

Catterick Bridge

2.15 1, Swiss Beauty (10-1); 2, Cathos (9-4 fav); 3, Marandisa (8-1). 10 ran.

2.50 1, Corn Lily (3-1 fav); 2, Byzantine (7-1); 3, Free Minx (10-1). 11 ran.

3.25 1, Verde Altalia (4-5 fav); 2, Creche (12-1); 3, Melaminemusic (11-1). 9 ran. NR: Never Late.

4.00 1, Gott's Desire (H Bastiman, 6-1); 2, The Devil's Music (10-1); 3, Kawwas (10-1); 4, Helawa (5-1 fav). 16 ran. NR: Cool Enough.

4.30 1, John Shaw (7-2), 2, Dizzy (11-10 fav); 3, Emie (9-2). 5 ran.

5.00 1, Sense Of Priority (K Darley, 7-4 fav); 2, Amadeus Ace (10-1); 3, Greetland Folly (14-1). 14 ran. NR: Kentucky Rain.

5.30 1, Hamadryad (K Darley, 8-11 fav), 2, Borbolete (12-1); 3, Brenda From Huby (50-1). 8 ran.

Market Rasen

2.15 1, Vantard (7-4) finished alone. Calmcastle 10-11 fav. 3 ran.

2.45 1, Rawaan (4-9 fav); 2, Sweep Along (13-2); 3, Snifter (25-1). 5 ran.

3.20 1, Dianes Destiny (10-11 fav); 2, Nautical Joke (5-1); 3, Isobar (4-1). 4 ran.

3.50 1, Springdale Hall (5-2); 2, The Allen (5-4 fav); 3, Phalarope (5-2). 5 ran.

4.20 1, Deep Dark Dawn (4-5 fav); 2, Tigers Pet (6-5); 3, Ballyshoshan (14-1). 3 ran

4.50 1, Astrabee (13-8); 2, Spring Cottage (11-1); 3, Maid Mariner (11-2). Laffadio 11-10 fav. 4 ran. NR: Todchanka.

Worcester

2.30 1, Charmed I'm Sure (5-1); 2, Shelly's Folly (8-1); 3, Mieka (5-2). Ramsey Street 9-4 fav. 10 ran.

3.00 1, Up-A-Point (11-8 fav); 2, Pinemartin (11-4); 3, Bel Course (7-4). 5 ran.

3.30 1, Fair Prospect (5-2 fav); 2, Great Mill (9-1); 3, Watermead (11-4). 11 ran.

4.00 1, A Lad Insane (9-2); 2, Never A Penny (6-1); 3, Solar Cloud (13-2). Forest Rain 7-4 fav. 8 ran.

4.30 1, Lynamore (11-8 fav); 2, Trojan Song (20-1); 3, Juranstan (14-1). 9 ran. NR: Kruggerran Smuggler.

5.00 1, Balshtaran (10-1); 2, The Hidden City (8-1); 3, Graminie (5-4 fav). 11 ran. NR: Middlewick.

Blinkered first time

NOTTINGHAM: 2.30 Well Done Rory; 3.00 Cut The Line; 3.30 Paquerette, 5.00 Malenoir. PONTEFRACT: 2.15 Burn Bridge; 2.45 High Cost; 3.45 Jurz; 4.15 Here Comes A Star; 4.45 Amphigory. FOLKESTONE: 2.20 Quinta Royale

LEADERS OUTSIDE FLAT

TRAINERS

	1st	2nd	3rd	Total runs	Total winners	Level stakes
J Berry	138	102	98	0		-113.38
R Hannon	103	104	84	0		-135.57
H Cecil	93	62	41	3		+12.81
B Hills	88	77	48	0		+36.68
M Stoute	69	48	39	1		-43.56
P Cole	62	44	41	2		+0.03
L Cumani	57	45	36	1		-57.91
M H Easterby	55	56	61	0		-182.04
J Gosden	51	34	32	7		-21.30
I Balding	46	44	31	2		-36.56

JOCKEYS

	1st	2nd	3rd	Total winners	Total rides	Level stakes
Paul Eddery	143	118	88	7		-135.54
W Carson	118	101	85	3		-145.88
M Roberts	98	93	83	5		+15.75
A Munro	88	81	66	12		-102.38
J Carroll	84	66	53	1		-111.74
R Cochrane	80	84	68	0		-27.33
S Cauthen	78	60	35	5		-24.31
T Quinn	75	59	63	20		-22.02
L Dettori	75	75	73	2		-185.37
G Duffield	74	39	54	6		-48.63

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NOTTINGHAM

MANDARIN
2.00 Tea Dust.
2.30 Royal Prussia.
3.00 Elanmatina.
3.30 Final Offer.
4.00 Taroob.
4.30 Opera House.
5.00 Derry Reef.

THUNDERER
2.00 Lord Oberon.
2.30 Alflora.
3.00 Elanmatina.
3.30 Long Furlong.
4.00 Up Anchor.
4.30 Aimaam.
5.00 Carols Clown.

RICHARD EVANS
5.00 DERRY REEF (nap).

Our Newmarket Correspondent: 3.00 ELANMATINA (nap).

GOING: GOOD TO FIRM DRAW: 5F-6F, HIGH NUMBERS BEST SIS

2.00 CARLTON CLAIMING STAKES (£2,792: 1m 54yd) (20 runners)

1 (12) 242315- LARS PORSENA 341J (CD,F) (J David Abell) R Whitaker 4-9-9 A Culhane 75
2 (18) 064301 SHINING JEWEL 6 (D,F) (E Eldin) E Eldin 4-9-9 K Rutter (7) 84
3 (7) 34-0010 CARTEL 16 (CD,F) (G Pykett) J Harris 4-9-0 S Cauthen 78
4 (5) 131606 GREAT HAND 9 (CD,F) (R Guest) R Guest 5-9-0 E Guest 76
5 (8) 211000 MOFADOR 39 (D,G,S) (F Lee) F Lee 7-8-11 D Biggs (5) 87
6 (3) 0050U0 MODEST HOPE 61 (J McManamon) G Eden 4-8-10 A Mackay 80
7 (10) 040001 DICKENS LANE 9 (F) (R Hodges) R Hodges 4-8-9 R Perham (5) 96
8 (11) 004230 FALCON FLIGHT 79 (F,G) (M Racing Ltd) J Mackie 5-8-9 A Proud 82
9 (9) 016202 LORD OBERON 10 (D,BF,G) (Cronk Racing Ltd) B Hanbury 3-8-9 L Piggott 92
10 (22) 44-3300 RUNNING SHADOW 28 (D Woeskow) J Etherington 3-8-6 Dean McKeown 82
11 (14) 231620 MISS SARAJANE 49 (D,F,G,S) (G Smyth) R Hollinshead 7-8-4 — 80
12 (4) 0-10000 TRENDY AUCTIONEER 32 (B,D,G) (Miss V Jarvis) A Hide 3-8-4 W Ryan 78
13 (1) 022238 TEA DUST 9 (R Marchant) P Makin 3-8-3 W Carson ● 99
14 (11) 000/000- WOODLANDS GREY 9J (Miss M Preece) P Pritchard 5-8-3 N Adams —
15 (19) 250511 LAUREL QUEEN 3 (D,F,G) (Laurel (Leisure) Ltd) J Berry 3-8-2 G Carter 98
16 (15) 040454 RAAWI 9 (A Fourstck) R Boss 3-8-1 A Munro 82
17 (18) 000/04-4 GINA'S CHOICE 18J (Miss M Preece) P Pritchard 5-8-0 G Parkin (7) —
18 (8) 0-00300 NORTHERN OPTIMIST 7 (B,F) (A Bottomley) Jimmy Fitzgerald 3-7-13 M Hunt (7) 74
19 (2) 003506 L'ACQUESIANA 40 (M Jackson) S Bowring 3-7-9 J Quinn —
20 (13) 505208 REPLICATE 28 (Mrs R Wigley) J Hills 3-7-8 D Holland 84

BETTING: 7-2 Lord Oberon, 4-1 Dickens Lane, 9-2 Laurel Queen, 7-1 Mofador, 10-1 Tea Dust, 12-1 Shining Jewel, Replicate, 14-1 Raawi, 16-1 Cartel, Lars Porsena, 20-1 others.

1990: LARS PORSENA 3-9-0 A Culhane (9-2 jt-fav) R Whitaker 17 ran

FORM FOCUS

LARS PORSENA 5th beaten over 7l/d by Anodyne (rec 2lb) at Goodwood (1m, good). SHINING JEWEL best Mel's Rose (gave 5lb) 1l at Yarmouth (1m, firm). CARTEL 12th of 15 to Pimsboy (rec 5lb) at Southwell (7f, good to firm); earlier beat Miss Sharpo (gave 6lb) 2l here (1m 54yd, good to firm). GREAT HAND 5th beaten over 4½l by Premier Prince (gave 4lb) at Goodwood (7f, good to firm). DICKENS LANE beat Restore (gave 5lb) 2l with RAAWI (rec 4lb), finishing well, 4th beaten 5½l at Chepstow (7f 16yd, good to firm). LORD OBERON lacked room close home when 2nd beaten 1½l by Pendidge (levels), an impressive winner since, at Goodwood (1m 2f, firm). TEA DUST 3rd beaten over 2½l by Fairy Flax (levels) at Chepstow (6f 16yd, good to firm). LAUREL QUEEN quickened well to beat Unanimous (gave 14lb) 2l at Southwell (7f, good to firm). GINA'S CHOICE 4th beaten 3½l by Quietly Impressive (gave 2lb) at Wolverhampton (1m 200yd, good to firm).
Selection: LORD OBERON (nap)

2.30 EBF STAUNTON MAIDEN STAKES
(2-Y-O colts & geldings: £2,784: 6f 15yd) (11 runners)

1 (1) 343 ALFLORA 25 (BF) (Circlechart Ltd) C Brittain 9-0 T Quinn ● 99
2 (10) BLUE DUN (Mrs P Makin) P Makin 9-0 T Sprake —
3 (6) BRIGADIERBROUGHTON (Broughton Thermal Insulation) W Musson 9-0 W Ryan —
4 (11) 0 DOUBLE LARK 12 (R Mason) R Hollinshead 9-0 S Perks —
5 (8) JIGSAW BOY (All Eight Club) R Holder 9-0 NON-RUNNER —
6 (3) MARCUS JACK (J Martin) Mrs A King 9-0 A Mackay —
7 (7) 44 ROYAL PRUSSIA 32 (BF) (Sheikh Mohammed) H Cecil 9-0 S Cauthen 88
8 (9) 0255 SETO CITY 14 (BF) (Mrs B Taylor) S Mellor 9-0 A McGlone 84
9 (4) 0 SOCKS AND SHARES 17 (Flat Brokers) P Harris 9-0 G Duffield —
10 (5) 005 TYRONE TURBO 10 (Gilbey Textiles Ltd) Mrs N Macauley 9-0 J Marshall (7) 79
11 (2) 0 WELL DONE RORY 7 (B) (W Ginzel) R Holder 9-0 A Dicks —

BETTING: 5-4 Royal Prussia, 2-1 Alflora, 13-2 Seto City, 12-1 Blue Dun, 14-1 Tyrone Turbo, Socks And Shares, 16-1 others.

1990: BUSTER 9-4 N Howe (5-4 fav) Mrs B Waring 7 ran

FORM FOCUS

ALFLORA 3rd beaten ½l by Alhijaz (gave 7lb) at Lingfield (7f, good to firm). ROYAL PRUSSIA failed to quicken when 4th beaten 5½l by Daja (levels) at Yarmouth (7f, firm). SETO CITY 5th beaten over 3l by Musical Cascade (rec 3lb) at Wolverhampton (5f, firm). SOCKS AND SHARES last of 12 to the useful Badie (levels) at Kempton (7f, good to firm). WELL DONE RORY last of 11 to Sleeping Up (rec 5lb) at Bath (5f 161yd, firm).
Selection: ALFLORA

3.00 WINTHORPE FILLIES NURSERY HANDICAP
(2-Y-O: £3,236: 6f 15yd) (12 runners)

1 (12) 312830 BRANSTON ABBY 11 (F) (J David Abell) M W Easterby 9-7 L Piggott 98
2 (11) 12 ELANMATINA 11 (D,BF,F) (P Gregory) C Wall 9-3 N Day 94
3 (10) 105 ARCTIC APPEAL 23 (F) (Y Nasib) J Berry 8-13 T Quinn 88
4 (6) 2020 MADAM PETOSKI 37 (P Asquith) R Boss 8-7 A Munro 93
5 (2) 001231 PINK'N BLACK 6 (D,F) (Mrs B Blum) G Blum 8-4 (7ex) J Weaver (7) 91
6 (8) 344122 ARABELLAJILL 24 (BF,G) (Mrs J Cash) R Hannon 8-2 A McGlone ● 99
7 (1) 34346 BATTUTA 38 (Mrs D Sharp) R Earnshaw 7-12 S Maloney (5) 93
8 (9) 423 LITTLE SABOTEUR 61 (BF) (Mrs W Blackwood) P Makin 7-10 W Carson 97
9 (7) 533142 SULTRY SINGER 14 (F,S) (B R B Owners Group) G Balding 7-9 Dale Gibson 97
10 (4) 0100 CUT THE LINE 51 (B,CD,G) (O Waller) M Bell 7-7 J Quinn 98
11 (5) 205 AEGAEN LADY 13 (R Watkins) J Etherington 7-7 A Mackay 93
12 (3) 503560 IN THE GAME 20 (A Sotroniou) Miss A Whitfield 7-7 N Adams 98

Long handicap: Cut The Line 7-6, Aegean Lady 7-2, In The Game 6-7.
BETTING: 11-4 Elanmatina, 9-2 Arabellajill, 5-1 Pink'n Black, 11-2 Sultry Singer, 9-1 Little Saboteur, 10-1 Arctic Appeal, Branston Abby, Cut The Line, 14-1 others.

1990: CHIPAYA 8-10 W R Swinburn (12-1) J Fanshawe 22 ran

FORM FOCUS

ELANMATINA 2nd beaten a nk by Afif (gave 8lb) at Folkestone (6f, firm). ARCTIC APPEAL 5th beaten 14½l by Regal Chimes (levels) at Ripon (6f, firm). PINK'N BLACK best Don't Smile (gave 2lb) 1½l at Yarmouth (6f, firm). ARABELLAJILL again started slowly when 2nd beaten 1l by My Abbey (gave 3lb) at Chester (5f 16yd, good to firm). This longer trip should help her today. LITTLE SABOTEUR 3rd beaten 5l by Belleys By Name (gave 1lb) at Doncaster (6f, good to firm). SULTRY SINGER 2nd beaten 2l by Mulcaie Cascade (gave 8lb) at Wolverhampton (5f, good to firm). CUT THE LINE 7th beaten 11l by Swing Low (gave 21lb) at Newmarket (6f, good).
Selection: ELANMATINA

COURSE SPECIALISTS

TRAINERS	Winners	Runners	Per cent	JOCKEYS	Winners	Rides	Per cent
H Cecil	25	76	32.9	S Cauthen	32	128	25.0
M Stoute	18	56	32.1	W Carson	39	196	19.9
J Dunlop	22	115	19.1	G Carter	16	152	10.5
J Berry	12	73	16.4	T Quinn	9	90	10.0
D Morley	14	87	16.1				
F Lee	5	34	14.7	(Only qualifiers)			

PONTEFRACT

MANDARIN
2.15 Brodessa.
2.45 TITCH WIZARD (nap).
3.15 Gant Bleu.
3.45 Peru.
4.15 Precentor.
4.45 Amphigory.
5.15 Najeb.

THUNDERER
2.15 Clos Du Bois.
2.45 Titch Wizard.
3.15 Va Utu.
3.45 ST PATRICK'S DAY (nap).
4.15 Saint Navarro.
4.45 Kijafa.
5.15 Great Show.

RICHARD EVANS
4.15 Precentor.

Our Newmarket Correspondent: 3.45 Riviera Rainbow. 5.15 Najeb.

The Times Private Handicapper's top rating: 2.45 TITCH WIZARD.

GOING: FIRM DRAW: 5F-6F, LOW NUMBERS BEST SIS

2.15 ASTAIRE & PARTNERS AMATEUR RIDERS HANDICAP (£3,054: 1m 4f 8yd)
(11 runners)

1 (1) 2546 BRODESSA 10 (Norbri Stud Ltd) Mrs G Reveley 5-12-0 — 84
2 (7) 640002 SAPPHIRINE 5 (C,F,S) (F Hines) R Whitaker 4-11-4 F Hines ● 99
3 (8) 001016 MR WISHING WELL 28 (D,BF,S) (S Astaire) R Williams 5-11-2 S Astaire 87
4 (10) 422640 SHADOW BIRD 16 (G) (Mrs R Buxton) G Pritchard-Gordon 4-11-0 P Pritchard-Gordon 94
5 (9) 000/600- BURN BRIDGE 135J (B,S) (Gill & Punter/Etec Ltd) M Hammond 5-10-13 S Lyons —
6 (5) 503455 ROSES HAVE THORNS 13 (F) (J Peters) D Morris 4-10-11 J Peters 93
7 (4) 030-402 CLOS DU BOIS 44 (Mrs N Macauley) Mrs N Macauley 5-10-9 K Santana 88
8 (11) 02-0450 SUNSET REINS FREE 38 (G,S) (M Russell) E Alston 6-10-8 R Willinson 89
9 (6) 633182 REXY BOY 35 (D,G) (D Graneby) W Pearce 4-10-5 D Durrant 86
10 (2) 000004 TO BE FAIR 3 (D,F) (N Savery) P Hobbs 4-9-9 M Hourigan 94
11 (3) 600-601 VERBARIUM 55 (D,F,G,S) (Mrs J Ramsden) Mrs J Ramsden 11-9-7 G Haine 86

Long handicap: Verbarium 9-5
BETTING: 3-1 Sapphirine, 4-1 Clos Du Bois, 6-1 Roses Have Thorns, Rexy Boy, 7-1 Bordessa, 8-1 Verbarium, 10-1 My Wishing Well, 16-1 others

1990: GULFLAND 9-11-6 R Pritchard-Gordon (2-1 fav) G Pritchard-Gordon 9 ran

2.45 NEW HALL CLAIMING STAKES (2-Y-O: £2,658: 5f) (9 runners)

1 (5) 03020 HIGH COST 17 (B) (Kingstone Warren Partners) H Candy 8-7 S Dawson 89
2 (1) ROUND BY THE RIVER (W Haigh) W Haigh 8-4 K Fallon —
3 (2) 68002 FAIT ACCOMPLI 7 (V) (Heyrod Construction Ltd) J J O'Neill 8-3 J Fanning (3) 87
4 (7) 411504 TITCH WIZARD 11 (D,F,G) (N Morris) G Lewis 8-3 F Norton (5) ● 99
5 (8) 45 CAVE ROAD 5 (A Bottomley) Jimmy Fitzgerald 8-1 M Wood 74
6 (4) 000020 LAWNSWOOD PRINCE 14 (A Hill) R Hollinshead 8-1 K Darley 86
7 (3) 316 CHOICEINMUSIC 24 (D,F) (Mrs T Adams) J Berry 7-12 L Charnock 84
8 (9) 33305 ALL THE GIRLS 6 (Mrs E McGahon) M Johnston 7-10 J Lowe 81
9 (5) 153654 MISS SIHAM 4 (D,BF,F) (T Malki) M Moubarak 7-10 B Doyle (5) 84

BETTING: 2-1 Titch Wizard, 7-2 Choiceinmusic, 9-2 Miss Siham, 6-1 Fait Accompli, 8-1 Lawnswood Prince, 10-1 Cave Road, 12-1 All The Girls, 16-1 others

1990: DOUBLOVA 8-2 J Carroll (Evens fav) J Berry 13 ran

3.15 NEAT MARKET SELLING HANDICAP (£2,826: 1m 4yd) (22 runners)

1 (18) 530003 GANT BLEU 5 (D,F) (Mrs J Button) R Whitaker 4-10-0 S Turner (7) 88
2 (4) 520234 KAGRAM QUEEN 7 (F) (Mrs E Kettlewell) Mrs G Reveley 3-9-9 — 86
3 (5) 410000 VA UTU 13 (D,G) (Claimclean (Pallets) Ltd) R Woodhouse 3-9-9 M Birch 97
4 (3) 5630 CUBAN SWINGER 16 (Rodvac Ltd) W Pearce 3-9-8 G Husband (5) 81
5 (19) 003000 GREEN'S MOLLON 3 (Miss J Toulson) C Beaver 3-9-1 B Raymond 80
6 (21) 500400 LADY VIOLET 7 (Don Enrico Incisa) Don Enrico Incisa 4-9-1 Kim Tinkler 86
7 (15) 0-00000 STATION EXPRESS 20 (F) (M Rowles) R Hollinshead 3-9-0 K Darley 98
8 (14) 4-00080 ELIZA WOODING 91 (F) (C Hill) C Hill 3-8-13 A Tucker (5) —
9 (12) 000 LAZY HILL 27 (D Chapman) D Chapman 4-8-13 K Fallon —
10 (16) 000105 MANSE KEY GOLD 42 (D,G,S) (S Radcliffe) R Bastiman 4-8-12 H Bastiman (7) 87
11 (8) 410054 ROBINS RETURN 7 (D,F) (A Golding) Denys Smith 3-8-10 J Fanning (3) 87
12 (6) 600030 CHAFF 34 (Mrs M Lisel) D Morris 4-8-9 B Crossley —
13 (1) 00-2403 DUST D'THRONE 7 (BF) (G Charlesworth) Miss L Siddall 3-8-8 D Nicholls 87
14 (13) 600-

Leeds defeat Liverpool for first time in 17 years to stay second in the League

Hodge enters into history

Leeds United 1
Liverpool 0

By CLIVE WHITE

THERE was no danger of this first victory in 20 attempts over their arch enemy going to the heads of the Leeds United players: not if Howard Wilkinson could help it. "Pathetic" and "jaded", were just two of the adjectives that their manager used to describe various aspects of his team's play, leading one to wonder whether Leeds's pulverising performance had not been a figment of the imagination.

At least Wilkinson did concede that it had been "a very significant result for us".

He meant in an historic sense as opposed to a prognostic one, and he may have been right not to read too much in to the wider implications, if any, of Leeds's achievement.

It was enough that Leeds had beaten Liverpool for the first time in 17 years, and even the demanding Wilkinson was probably not too bothered how. Not that one ever takes a victory over Liverpool for granted, even in these more vulnerable times for the Merseysiders. But it is not always appreciated what goes in to it.

Gordon Strachan, who puts more into a game than probably any other 34-year-old, provided a brief insight. "Physically you're tired, but when you play Liverpool, your concentration level has to be at a maximum, so you actually take more out of yourself in the mental part of the game," he said.

"The nervous tension got to our play in the second half – the crowd was so desperate for us to beat Liverpool."

There was never much doubt of that from the moment Tanner, the young Liverpool defender, headed a looping shot from Chapman off his own goal line in the eleventh minute. If the Liverpool line-up was not already imbalanced enough it was made further so by the loss of Tanner through injury a short while later, to be replaced by Harkness, a player of even less experience.

It seemed only a matter of time before Leeds translated their superiority into a goal, which was eventually scored in the 25th minute, with typical opportunism, by Hodge, starting his first game for the club after six appearances as substitute. Leeds might just as well have been winning by three or four, so far behind did Liverpool seem in terms of performance.

Rarely can Liverpool have looked so ineffectual in attack, and on a day when the much-vaunted Welsh double act of Rush and Saunders made its league debut. Rush looked less than the 80 per cent fit he was alleged to be, and the Leeds back four was magnificent. None less so than McClelland, who, at 35, Wilkinson saw as another testimony to clean living.

Good health is a sore point with Liverpool at the moment, and the main reason why Leeds should not go overboard about this victory. Hodge likened the depth in strength of Leeds's squad to that of Liverpool's in explaining why he has had to bide his time since his £900,000 transfer from Nottingham Forest. But it is doubtful whether even Leeds, who were without Wallace and Fairclough, could withstand the absenteeism which Liverpool are enduring.

Not only are Liverpool missing key players in their first XI, but the back up department has been wrecked, by injuries to Hysen, Molby, Venison, and now, probably, Tanner. Is it any wonder Liverpool are struggling?

LEEDS UNITED: J Lukic; M Sterland, A Dorigo, D Batty, J McClelland, C Whyte, G Strachan, S Hodge, L Chapman, G McAllister, G Speed (sub: C Shutt).
LIVERPOOL: B Grobbelaar; G Ablett, D Burrows, S Nicol, M Marsh, N Tanner (sub: S Harkness), D Saunders, R Houghton, I Rush, M Walters, S McManaman.
REFEREE: G Courtney.

Moment to savour: Steve Hodge wheels away from Nicol after scoring Leeds's winner at Elland Road on Saturday

Coventry brought to earth by Beardsley's brilliance

Everton 3
Coventry City 0

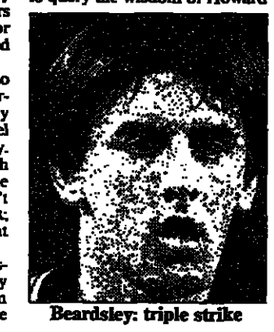
By IAN ROSS

WHILE Terry Butcher did not care to spend too much time reflecting on Coventry City's inadequate performance at Goodison Park, his comments still carried conviction and unsuppressed anger. The Coventry manager clearly felt his players had let down the five hundred or so supporters who had travelled to Merseyside.

"I would like to apologise to our fans for a lacklustre performance," he said. "They possibly won't feel inclined to travel again after what they saw today. I am very unhappy, both with the performance and with the attitude of my players. It doesn't matter which 11 players I select; they must show commitment and desire."

Butcher's acute sense of disappointment was perfectly understandable for, after Gynn had climaxed City's one move of any authority with a shot which struck a post in the thirteenth minute, Everton went on to dominate a game of little passion.

Although Everton's desire to compete and will to win was a good deal stronger, one player – Beardsley – was the difference between two sides. His failure to score in Everton's opening six League fixtures prompted many to query the wisdom of Howard Kendall's decision to pay £1 million for a 30-year-old forward who had been discarded by both Liverpool and England.



Beardsley: triple strike

Beardsley delivered his own response on Saturday, capping an outstanding individual display with three goals to take his tally to six in the last four games. He enjoyed some good fortune; indeed, it is debatable whether he even made a conscious effort to connect with the ball in the 39th minute, when a Borrows clearance appeared to strike his shin before rebounding into the net.

His second, after 61 minutes, was an altogether more thoughtful effort – a glorious rising drive from just inside the area – and he completed his treble with a penalty in the 75th minute after Borrows's lunge at Ward.

EVERTON: N Southall; R Atteveld, A Hinchcliffe, J Ebbrell, D Watson, M Keown, R Warzycha, P Beardsley, M Newell, K Sheedy (sub: N McDonald), M Ward.
COVENTRY CITY: S Ogrizovic; B Borrows, P Billing (sub: P Edwards), S Robson, A Pearce, P Atherton, L McGrath, M Gynn (sub: D Emerson), R Rosario, P Ndlovu, P Furlong.
Referee: A Flood.

McClair revives lethargic United

Manchester United 5
Luton Town 0

By PETER BALL

IT WAS, Alex Ferguson said, the best win under his management. It is to be hoped that the United manager was talking about the size rather than the quality, because for 60 minutes United picked up where they had left off in Athens, with a display of hapless mediocrity.

Fortunately for them, Luton were also on a par with the opposition in Athens last Wednesday – Athinaikos, in the Cup Winners' Cup – producing some nice patterns without a hint that they could hurt United.

Luton have never won at Old Trafford, and it was soon evident that history was not in the making. All United had to do was wait for the inevitable.

The first break came after 22 minutes of ineffectual sparring, only seconds after Luton had spurned their first, and perhaps only, serious opportunity. Ince capitalised on a melée in the United goalmouth to score his first goal of the season from six yards, and United went back to sleep.

The second goal, after 63 minutes, came from a harsh penalty as Hughes's close-range drive hit Pembridge's knee and hand, in that order, on the goalline.

"It was the turning point for us," David Pleat, the Luton manager, said afterwards, but there had been no sign that Luton were capable of coming back from one goal down. The penalty certainly was the signal for United belatedly to start firing on all cylinders, but perhaps the real turning point had come four minutes earlier.

McClair had been dropped for the first time since he became Ferguson's first signing for the club four years ago – a stunning reversal of fortune since he had been one of the four permitted "foreigners" to be picked in Athens.

"I didn't think Chocky [McClair] had been playing very well recently, but it was also for tactical reasons," Ferguson said. "Luton have come here in the past and played with five at the back. And if you drop someone it puts a wee edge on them."

But if McClair was dropped *pour encourager les autres*, it did not work, and the experiment was abandoned after 59 minutes. He had no direct influence on the penalty, but he was involved in the last three goals, as, with Giggs teasing them unmercifully and Hughes powering his way through the middle, United tore Luton apart.

McClair made his own point by scoring two in three minutes, and then finished off with a perfectly placed cross for Hughes at last to get the goal his display deserved.

MANCHESTER UNITED: P Schmeichel; M Phelan, D Irwin, S Bruce, N Webb, G Pallister, B Robson, P Ince, C Blackmore (sub: B McClair), M Hughes, R Giggs.
LUTON TOWN: A Chamberlain; M Jackson (sub: D Beaumont), J Dreyer, P Telfer, G Rodger, T Peake, D Preece, B Stein (sub: K Nogan), M Harford, M Pembridge, S Thompson.
Referee: A Gunn (Sussex).

Late goal flurry fails to mask lack of quality

STUART JONES

THE number of first division games has gone up and the average crowd has come down. The equation is logical because the public, and especially the huge contingent of floating spectators who are unattached to any specific club, prefer to see quality rather than quantity.

The simple truth was overlooked by the League's management committee last year when the decision was taken to admit another two clubs to the first division. It also seems to have been ignored by those now engaged in the undignified public squabble over the size of the proposed Premier League.

If the programme remains unchanged, with each supposedly elite club still competing in 42 League fixtures, so the appeal of the product will presumably either stay the same or continue to decline.

Evidently, and understandably, people are choosing to be more selective about the matches they attend. Nor should that be surprising, considering the stale climate in which the game is played.

Forty-six first division goals on Saturday might suggest otherwise but Arsenal, Manchester United and Tottenham Hotspur, in each contributing five to the collective total, merely confirmed the ever-increasing disparity in class between top and bottom.

Events at Upton Park formed a more typical example of the widespread sterility and predictability. After a first half which constituted a non-event, a guest left the directors' box. "That was terrible," he muttered. "It was just a load of aimless kicking."

The succinct and accurate description was later echoed by both managers, albeit not in so many words. Nor was that unusual. Not once this season have I heard anyone involved in a game even bother to claim that the standard was high.

At Upton Park, it never rose above base level. The closing quarter of an hour, containing all three goals, was an explosion of colour and activity compared to the preceding drudgery.

"We didn't play well," Billy Bonds, the manager of West Ham United, said. "We didn't create much and a point would have been a bonus, although it was cruel the way we lost it." He was referring to the penalty which belatedly turned the game in favour of Manchester City.

Bonds was not disputing the referee's decision to award it or to send off Foster for instinctively handling Quinn's shot after Miklosko had fumbled Heath's cross. He was arguing that Redmond, farcically falling over as he took it, was lucky not to be the third successive City player to miss from the spot.

Although Brown equalised from a Slater cross, the absence of West Ham's central defender told in the end. Coton's clearance was allowed to bounce on the edge of the other area and Hendry claimed a winner merited by neither side.

"The two teams cancelled each other out," Peter Reid, the City manager, said. "It was a question of battling out there." It looked more like going through the motions and, since first division clubs will continue to play without pause twice a week until the new year, the sight promises to be common.

As usual, the play was so congested, especially in midfield, that a king-size duvet could often have been thrown across all of the outfield contestants. Little, if anything, would have been missed if the first 77 minutes had been smothered and hidden from view.

MATCH FACTS

At Upton Park Att: 25,588 Ref: K Barrett
League record (home) v Man City: P 31, W 18, D 6, L 7

HT: 0-0	WEST HAM 1	MAN CITY 2
Scorers:	Brown 85	Redmond 78 (pen) Hendry 90
Sent off:	Foster 77	–
Subs:	Rosenior 82 (Morley)	Hendry 70 (Hughes)

	WEST HAM		MAN CITY	
Shots (on target/total)	7	13	4	13
Corners (left/right)	3	2	4	2
Crosses (left/right)	16	6	35	21
Free kicks/pens conceded	12	1	14	–
Offsides	1		2	
Possession (gained/lost)	36	105	36	104

WEST HAM UTD (5-3-2)

Player	Goal attempt	Crosses L	Crosses R	Fouls By	Fouls On
L Miklosko	–	–	–	–	–
K Brown	1	–	1	1	–
M Thomas	–	3	–	1	1
T Breacker	–	–	1	4	2
C Foster	–	–	–	2	2
G Parris	1	1	–	–	1
I Bishop	2	6	2	1	–
S Slater	4	5	–	–	1
M Small	4	1	1	1	2
S Potts	–	1	1	–	1
T Morley	1	–	–	1	2
L Rosenior	–	–	–	–	–

Unused: M Rush

MANCHESTER CITY (4-4-2)

Player	Goal attempt	Crosses L	Crosses R	Fouls By	Fouls On
T Coton	–	–	–	–	–
A Hill	2	–	4	2	–
N Pointon	–	15	–	–	–
I Brightwell	1	–	3	–	–
K Curle	1	1	2	1	1
S Redmond	1	3	1	2	–
D White	3	–	3	1	2
A Heath	–	4	8	1	–
N Quinn	3	–	–	4	3
G Megson	–	4	–	1	3
M Hughes	–	6	–	–	2
C Hendry	2	1	–	–	–

Unused: M Sheron

THE aerial assault (56 crosses in all, including corners) from Manchester City's wide men to Quinn was no better emphasised by Pointon, with 15; in the final analysis it counted for neither goal. Both sides were flattered by their 13 goal attempts, many so tame as not to bother either goalkeeper. Of four handling offences, the worst earned Foster a sending off.

☐ *Compiled by Julian Desborough*

WEEKEND FOOTBALL RESULTS AND TABLES

Barclays League First division

ARSENAL (4) 5 SHEFF UTD (0) 2
Smith 12, Dixon 16 (pen), Groves 25, Rocastle 34, Campbell 67 — Agana 54, Mendonca 89 — 30,244

A VILLA (0) 3 NOTTM F (1) 1
Blake 48, Richardson 62, York 63 — Teale 1 og — 28,506

EVERTON (1) 3 COVENTRY (0) 0
Beardsley 39 61 75 (pen) — 20,542

LEEDS UTD (1) 1 LIVERPOOL (0) 0
Hodge 25 — 32,917

MAN UTD (1) 5 LUTON (0) 0
Ince 23, Bruce 63 (pen), McClair 77 80, Hughes 86 — 46,491

NOTTS CO (1) 2 NORWICH (0) 2
Rideout 21, Bowen 72 og — Ullathorne 62, Bowen 90 (pen) — 9,486

OLDHAM (1) 2 C PALACE (1) 3
Marshall 44, Holden 64 — Salako 14, Wright 51, Bright 70 — 13,391

QPR (1) 2 CHELSEA (0) 2
Wilson 21, Peacock 57 — Townsend 70, Wise 90 — 19,579

SHEFF WED (1) 2 SOTON (0) 0
Williams 4, Worthington 65 — 27,291

WEST HAM (0) 1 MAN CITY (0) 2
Brown 85 — Redmond 75 (pen), Hendry 90 — 25,588

WIMBLEDON (1) 3 TOTTENHAM (3) 5
Fashanu 5 (pen), Cork 65, Bennett 84 — Lineker 11 32 (pen), Allen 55, Samways 39 — 11,927

	HOME P	W	D	L	F	A	AWAY W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Man Utd	9	4	1	0	12	1	3	1	0	4	1	23
Leeds Utd	9	3	2	0	8	3	2	2	0	5	1	19
Tottenham	7	1	0	1	3	3	4	1	0	12	6	16
Sheff Wed	9	4	0	1	12	6	1	1	2	3	4	16
Chelsea	10	2	2	1	10	6	2	2	1	7	7	16
Man City	10	3	0	2	7	6	2	1	2	4	6	16
Arsenal	9	3	1	1	11	6	1	1	2	8	9	14
Coventry	10	3	1	2	9	3	1	1	2	4	7	14
Liverpool	8	3	1	0	7	3	1	1	2	3	4	14
Norwich	10	2	2	1	5	4	1	3	1	7	8	14
Notts Co	10	2	1	2	6	9	2	1	2	7	6	14
C Palace	8	2	0	2	6	10	2	1	1	5	7	13
Nottm For	9	3	0	1	10	7	1	0	4	7	8	12
Everton	10	2	1	0	9	4	1	0	4	5	9	12
A Villa	10	2	1	2	8	4	1	2	2	8	9	12
Wimbledon	9	2	0	2	9	7	1	1	3	7	10	10
Oldham	9	3	1	1	11	7	0	0	4	3	8	10
West Ham	10	1	2	2	5	6	1	2	2	5	7	10
Soton	10	1	1	3	4	9	1	1	3	5	7	8
QPR	10	0	4	1	5	7	1	1	3	3	8	8
Luton	10	2	1	1	4	3	0	1	5	1	19	8
Sheff Utd	10	1	1	3	4	8	0	1	4	7	14	5

FA TROPHY: First round qualifying: Whitby 2, Newcastle Blue Star 1, Ferryhill Athletic 0, Whitley Bay 2; Alnwick 0, Southport 5; Peterlee Newtown 0, Murton 2; Workington 2, Northallerton 2; Consett 0, Shildon 3; Brandon 1, Spennymoor 1, Whickham 1, North Shields 2; Willenhall 3, Colwyn Bay 1; Rhyl 1, Halesowen 1; Moor Green 5, Radcliffe Borough 2; Goole 2, Warrington 1, Alvechurch 0, Gainsborough 1, Winsford 3, Newtown 0; Dudley 5, Redditch 3; Bromsgrove 1, Bedworth 1, Nuneaton Borough 0, Marine 0; Eastwood Town 5, Caernarfon 1; Worksop 1, Matlock 1; Grantham 0, Buxton 2; Congleton 0, Atherstone 3; Mossley 2, Alfreton 3; Corby 1, Leyton Wingate 3; Stavelage Borough 2, Wembley 3; Chelmsford 0, St Albans 1, Barking 4, Rushden 2; Hitchin 2, Grays 1, Chalfont St Peter 3, Stourbridge 2; Boreham Wood 4, Aveley 1; Hayes 3, Baldock 1; Chesham 1, Tamworth 0; Yeading 2, Dunstable 0; Burnham 1, Sudbury 1, Buckingham 2, Havant 0; Bury 0, Hythe 3, Hastings 3, Newport IOW 1; Weymouth 2, Ashford Town 1; Witney 0, Sittingbourne 0. Midland division: Hinckley 4, Yate 1; King's Lynn 1, Solihull Borough 2; RC Warwick 1, Bilston 2, Stroud 0, Hednesford 3; Sutton Coldfield 0, Leicester Utd 1.

Second division

BRISTOL R (0) 2 OXFORD (0) 1
Alexander 37, Cross 57 — Penney 36, 4,654

DERBY (1) 3 BRIGHTON (0) 1
Davison 43, Patterson 63, Williams 79 (pen) — Meade 85, 12,004

IPSWICH (1) 4 BRISTOL C (1) 2
Thompson 37, Lineghan 64, Kiwomya 86, Goddard 88 — Allison 4, Smith 56, 9,692

LEICESTER (2) 3 BLACKBURN (0) 0
Walsh 21, Kelson 24, Gordon 60 — 13,287

MILLWALL (1) 2 NEWCASTLE (1) 1
Kerr 13, Kerr 89 — Nelson 8, 9,156

PLYMOUTH (1) 1 MIDDLSBRO (0) 1
Burrows 35 — Wilkinson 68, 5,280

PORT VALE (0) 0 SOUTHEND (0) 0
5,988

PORTSMTH (2) 3 CAMBRIDGE (0) 0
Wigley 12, Burns 27, Kimble 53 og — 7,801

SUNDRLAND (0) 1 GRIMSBY (1) 2
Pascoe 81 — Doblin 11, Cunnington 82, 16,535

TRANMERE (1) 2 BARNSLEY (0) 1
Aldridge 24, Higgins 48 — Banks 52, 8,482

WATFORD (2) 2 CHARLTON (0) 0
Butler 2, Awasenthaler 35 — 8,459

WOLVES (1) 2 SWINDON (0) 1
Steele 8, Bull 78 — White 87, 15,219

	HOME P	W	D	L	F	A	AWAY W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Middlesbro	10	5	0	0	10	0	2	1	2	6	7	22
Ipswich	9	4	0	1	10	8	1	2	1	5	6	17
Leicester	8	4	0	0	9	1	1	1	2	3	7	16
Cambridge	8	2	1	1	5	4	3	0	1	9	8	16
Swindon	8	3	1	0	9	4	1	1	2	9	8	14
Wolves	9	2	1	1	6	5	2	1	1	5	6	14
Southend	8	2	1	1	6	4	2	1	1	3	2	14
Grimsby	8	1	2	1	8	8	3	0	1	7	8	14
Tranmere	8	2	2	0	9	7	1	2	1	6	5	13
Bristol C	9	3	2	0	8	5	0	2	2	5	8	13
Derby Co	9	2	1	2	7	6	1	2	1	3	3	12
Portsmth	8	3	1	0	5	0	0	2	2	2	7	12
Sunderland	9	1	2	1	5	4	2	0	3	11	11	11
Charlton	8	2	0	2	6	7	1	2	1	5	5	11
Blackburn	9	2	1	1	4	3	1	1	2	3	5	11
Brighton	9	1	1	2	6	7	2	1	2	6	7	11
Watford	8	1	0	3	4	7	2	1	1	6	3	10
Port Vale	10	1	4	0	5	4	1	0	4	4	7	10
Millwall	8	2	0	2	8	8	0	2	2	6	8	8
Plymouth	8	2	1	1	8	6	0	1	3	4	8	8
Barnsley	10	2	0	3	5	9	0	2	3	4	8	8
Newcastle	9	0	3	1	6	7	1	0	4	6	11	6
Bristol R	8	1	1	2	8	9	0	1	3	2	6	5
Oxford	8	1	1	2	8	6	0	0	4	3	9	4

Fareham 1; Uxbridge 1, Tooting and Mitcham 2, Molesey 2, Marlow 3, Andover 1, Basildon 2, Bromley 3, Basingstoke 0, Gosport 4, Croydon 1, Maidenhead 4, Canterbury City 0, Erith and Belvedere 3, Walton and Hersham 3, Margate 1, Abingdon Town 1; Dorking 2, Bognor 1; Waterlooville 3, Crawley 2, Trowbridge 1, Dorchester 1, Ton Pentre 2, Barry 3; Taunton 6, Maesteg 2; Bideford 0, Newport AFC 1; Bridgend 3, Poole 1; Cwmbran 0, Salisbury 1; Weston super Mare 2, Saltash 2.

HFS LOANS LEAGUE: Premier division: Bangor City 1, Shepshed 0; Droylsden 2, Chorley 0, Rossmore 0, Hyde 1; Frickley 1, Accrington Stanley 1; Horwich 2, Bishop Auckland 0; Leek 2, Stalybridge 3, Morecambe 0, Emley 1. First division: Curzon Ashton 2, Harrogate 2; Guiseley 0, Lancaster 1; Irlam 1, Netherfield 0; Knowsley 5, Farsley Celtic 3; Rossendale 1, Bridlington Town 1.

BEAZER HOMES LEAGUE: Premier division: Cambridge City 4, Gloucester 2, Dartford 2, Burton 0; Dover 3, Wealdstone 0; VS Rugby 3, Gravesend 1; Worcester 1, Fisher 1. Southern division: Braintree 7, Hemel Hempstead 0; Maiden Vale 2, Hungerford 0; Newbury 1, Billericay 1; Southall 0, Metropolitan Police 4; Ware 2, Ruislip Manor 2; Witham 0, Southwick 0; Worthing 3, Saffron Walden 2. Third division: Cove 1, Thame 1; Epsom and Ewell 3, Clapton 1, Flackwell Heath 0, Chertsey 0; Hertford 0, Edgware 1; Horsham 4, Royston 2; Kingsbury 1, Petersfield 1; Tring 3 Eastbourne 1. Postponed: Collier Row v Bracknell.

SOUTHERN AMATEUR LEAGUE: Civil Service 1, Nat West Bank 1; Norseman 0, Carshalton 2; Old Bromleians 3, Old Actonians 4; Old Esthameians 1, Midland Bank 2; Old Parkonians 1, Winchmore Hill 0; West Wickham 0, British Petroleum 3; Alexandra Park 3, Barclays Bank 1; Crouch End Vampires 1, Old Salesians 1; East Barnet OG 1, Polytechnic 2; Ibis 4, Broomfield 2; Old Stationers 0, Lloyds Bank 0; Southgate Olympic 0, South Bank Poly 2; Brentham 3, Old Westminster Ctz 1; Merton 3, Lensbury 0; Old Latymerians 5, Cuaco 4; Royal Bank Scotland 2, Kew Association 0.

Third division

BOLTON (0) 1 WIGAN (1) 1
Derby 80 — Kelly 12 og, 8,923

CHESTER (1) 1 WBA (1) 2
Barrow 44 — Robson 43, Burgess 86, 3,895

DARLINGTN (1) 1 BRENTFORD (2) 2
Cook 20 — Smillie 6, Holdsworth 8, 3,900

FULHAM (1) 2 LEYTON O (1) 1
Scharf 40 Haarg 80 — Nugent 41, 4,934

HARTLPOOL (1) 1 BIRMINGHAM (0) 0
Baker 2 — 4,643

HUDDRSFLD (0) 0 BOURNMTH (0) 0
6,802

HULL (2) 4 TORQUAY (1) 1
Young 18, Walmsley 36 84, Norton 67 — Rowbotham 43, 3,093

PETERBORO (1) 1 EXETER (0) 1
Halsall 21 (pen) — Wimbleton 54, 4,249

PRESTON (1) 2 STOKE (1) 2
Jepson 5 Swann 60 — Biggins 40 59, 6,345

READING (1) 1 BRADFORD (1) 2
Gooding 18 — Babb 27 Reid 64, 3,765

SHRWSBRY (0) 0 SWANSEA (0) 0
3,427

STOCKPORT (0) 2 BURY (0) 0
Francis 82, Gannon 83 — 5,083

	HOME P	W	D	L	F	A	AWAY W	D	L	F	A	Pts
WBA	8	3	1	0	12	4	2	1	1	3	4	17
Birmingham	8	3	1	0	8	5	2	1	1	4	3	17
Stockport	8	4	0	0	11	1	1	1	2	7	7	16
Huddersfld	8	2	2	0	3	0	2	2	0	11	6	16
Brentford	8	3	0	1	11	7	2	0	2	4	4	15
Shrewsbury	8	3	1	0	8	1	1	1	2	2	3	14
Bolton	8	2	2	0	6	2	1	2	1	9	9	13
Stoke	8	2	2	0	7	5	1	2	1	4	4	13
Bury	8	2	2	0	10	5	1	0	3	5	8	11
Bradford	8	1	3	0	7	6	1	2	1	4	5	11
Hartlepool	8	3	0	1	6	3	0	2	2	5	8	11
Fulham	8	2	1	1	5	2	1	1	2	4	7	11
Bournemth	8	1	1	2	3	4	1	3	0	4	3	10
Hull	8	1	0	3	6	6	2	1	1	3	4	10
Reading	8	1	1	2	5	8	2	0	2	4	5	10
Peterboro	8	1	3	0	3	2	1	1	2	3	9	10
L Orient	8	1	3	0	8	5	1	0	3	7	9	9
Exeter	8	2	1	1	5	4	0	2	2	5	13	9
Preston	8	1	3	0	6	5	0	2	2	2	5	8
Chester	8	2	0	2	5	3	0	1	3	4	8	7
Darlington	7	1	0	3	4	6	1	0	2	3	4	6
Wigan	8	1	0	3	4	8	0	3	1	3	4	6
Torquay	8	1	0	3	5	6	0	0	4	2	10	3
Swansea	7	0	2	1	4	5	0	1	3	0	10	3

Dunstable 0; Burnham 1, Sudbury 1, Buckingham 2, Havant 0; Bury 0, Hythe 3, Hastings 3, Newport IOW 1; Weymouth 2, Ashford Town 1; Witney 0, Sittingbourne 0. Midland division: Hinckley 4, Yate 1; King's Lynn 1, Solihull Borough 2; RC Warwick 1, Bilston 2, Stroud 0, Hednesford 3; Sutton Coldfield 0, Leicester Utd 1.

DIADORA LEAGUE: Premier division: Carshalton 1, Aylesbury 0; Enfield 0, Windsor and Eton 0; Harrow 2, Dagenham 2, Hendon 0, Bishop's Stortford 1; Kingstonian 0, Sutton Utd 0; Wivenhoe 1, Woking 7. First division: Dulwich 1, Harlow 0; Heybridge Swifts 3, Whyteleafe 1. Second division: Berkhamsted 1, Egham 2; Lewes 2, Hemel

Fourth division

BURNLEY (0) 0 ROCHDALE (0) 1
8,633 — Milner 70

CARDIFF (1) 2 SCARBORO (1) 1
Heard 2 Dale 85 — Ashdjian 31, 3,227

GILLINGHAM (2) 3 BARNET (2) 3
Eeles 1 Crown 30 64 — Wilson 18 Lowe 28 Bull 80, 4,864

LINCOLN (0) 1 CHESTRFLD (2) 2
Dobson 90 — Dyche 27 Cooke 40, 2,998

NORTHPTN (1) 2 CARLISLE (1) 2
Wilson 21 Barnes 75 — Watson 5 90, 2,656

ROTHERHM (1) 3 MAIDSTONE (1) 3
Hazel 13 Page 69 82 — Osborne 35 Henry 61 Gall 89, 3,870

SCUNTHRPE (1) 1 CREWE (0) 0
Hamilton 33 — 3,021

WALSALL (2) 3 HEREFORD (0) 0
Marsh 31, Anderson 41, McLaughlin 57 — 4,509

YORK (1) 2 WREXHAM (2) 2
Naylor 21 — Owen 35 Connolly 39, Cannam 82 — 1,816

	HOME P	W	D	L	F	A	AWAY W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Blackpool	8	3	0	0	8	2	2	1	1	5	3	17
Barnet	8	3	0	1	9	8	2	2	0	12	5	17
Rochdale	7	2	2	0	4	2	3	0	0	6	2	17
Hereford	8	4	0	0	10	2	1	1	2	1	4	16
Rotherham	8	1	2	1	6	6	3	1	0	10	2	15
Mansfield	7	1	1	1	5	3	3	1	0	6	2	14
Walsall	8	2	1	1	7	3	2	0	2	5	7	13
Scunthorpe	8	3	1	0	7	3	1	0	3	4	9	13
Crewe	8	1	2	1	7	4	2	1	1	10	7	12
Burnley	7	2	1	1	6	2	1	0	2	5	5	10
Northampton	7	1	2	0	5	4	1	2	1	4	4	10
Cardiff	8	2	0	2	5	5	0	4	0	4	4	10
Chesterfld	7	1	0	3	3	4	2	0	1	3	4	9
Lincoln	7	0	0	3	1	10	3	0	1	3	2	9
Gillingham	7	2	1	0	9	3	0	1	3	2	7	8
Aldershot	7	1	1	1	6	5	1	1	2	2	6	8
Halifax	7	0	2	2	1	6	2	0	1	4	4	8
York	7	1	2	1	4	4	0	2	1	2	3	7
Wrexham	8	1	2	1	4	4	0	2	2	3	8	7
Carlisle	8	0	0	4	3	9	1	2	1	7	5	5
Scarboro	8	1	1	2	3	5	0	1	3	3	9	5
Maidstone	8	1	1	2	3	5	0	1	3	3	11	5
Doncaster	8	1	0	3	4	10	0	0	4	3	8	3

Hampstead 0; Maiden Vale 2, Hungerford 0; Newbury 1, Billericay 1; Southall 0, Metropolitan Police 4; Ware 2, Ruislip Manor 2; Witham 0, Southwick 0; Worthing 3, Saffron Walden 2. Third division: Cove 1, Thame 1; Epsom and Ewell 3, Clapton 1, Flackwell Heath 0, Chertsey 0; Hertford 0, Edgware 1; Horsham 4, Royston 2; Kingsbury 1, Petersfield 1; Tring 3 Eastbourne 1. Postponed: Collier Row v Bracknell.

SOUTHERN AMATEUR LEAGUE: Civil Service 1, Nat West Bank 1; Norseman 0, Carshalton 2; Old Bromleians 3, Old Actonians 4; Old Esthameians 1, Midland Bank 2; Old Parkonians 1, Winchmore Hill 0; West Wickham 0, British Petroleum 3; Alexandra Park 3, Barclays Bank 1; Crouch End Vampires 1, Old Salesians 1; East Barnet OG

Defensive failings dilute the Arsenal manager's joy at five goals

Lineker is back to order at Wimbledon's expense

By Louise Taylor

FIRST DIVISION

HOW **Wimbledon** must wish that a sore toe and bad back had forced Gary Lineker to swap his **Tottenham** shirt and slice of the action for a designer jacket and seat in the stand at Selhurst Park on Saturday.

Peter Shreeves, the Tottenham manager, agonised over playing his England forward, but visiting supporters rejoiced at his judgement with Lineker scoring four as Tottenham triumphed 5-3. Meanwhile Ray Harford, the Wimbledon manager whose contract expires at Christmas, mulled over an offer to take charge of Blackburn Rovers.

After spending Saturday breakfast time having PHYSIOTHERAPY on the back before strapping up the toe, Lineker declared himself fit at 11am. Two months short of his 31st birthday, he has now scored 11 goals in seven first division games, and said: "Obviously this is my best start to a season, and I am delighted to get four [for the club] for the first time, although I am not going to get carried away."

Neither is George Graham. The goals were divided rather more democratically at Highbury, where the 5-2 win over bottom-placed **Sheffield United**, left the **Arsenal** manager unimpressed. "That was a bit too cavalier for me," Graham said. "There was too much hype about our European Cup win. I would have preferred 2-0 or 3-0, but all we have to do is tighten up at the back, and then we will have the total picture."

Dave Bassett, the Sheffield United manager, has a complete picture of his own team, and does not like it. "My players have been tested over the last couple of weeks, and a lot have failed," he said. "They do not realise it because most of them are too thick. But I now realise I can't trust them when the chips are down. Players care about themselves, not clubs or managers." Gordon Taylor, the PFA's chief executive, was yesterday monitoring the situation, and said: "We will act if the United players complain."

Ron Atkinson's threat to deprive some of his allegedly work-shy **Aston Villa** players of their club cars was clearly heeded at home to **Nottingham Forest**, where Cyrille Regis, aged 33 and a free transfer from Coventry, impressed as Villa succeeded 3-1. Not a bad result against a team whom Atkinson said he wants Villa to "copy stylistically."

Dave Beasant's days at **Chelsea** could be numbered. The former England squad goalkeeper, aged 32, was the subject of some stinging criticism from Ian Porterfield, the Chelsea manager, after his error precipitated **Queen's Park Rangers'** first goal in the 2-2 draw at Loftus Road.

"It was totally Beasant's fault," Porterfield said. "If you make mistakes like that at a club like this, you deserve to be criticised."

Ian Wright and Mark Bright, who scored two of the goals in **Crystal Palace's** 3-2 win at **Oldham Athletic** — Salako headed the other one — are not about to be sold according to the club's chairman, Ron Noades.

Noades confirmed that Arsenal had been put off by a figure of over £2 million for Wright but the chairman added: "Just because we put a valuation on a player it doesn't mean we are about to sell. Ian Wright told me on our pre-season trip to Spain that he wouldn't mind a move, but there have been no other developments since then."

The winners of this season's Rumbelows League Cup will qualify for the Uefa Cup next year after the decision of football's European governing body to allocate a second place in the competition to an English club.

Diamond style's losing face

By Louise Taylor

SECOND DIVISION

STEVE Watson spent Saturday morning playing for Newcastle United juniors before tuning his radio and devoting the afternoon to hearing how his erstwhile senior colleagues were entering the history books.

If the pre-season hype was to be believed, Newcastle's team of precocious teenagers would now be swaggering towards the first division with Watson their prize asset.

Instead, by losing 2-1 at Millwall, Osvaldo Ardiles's side recorded the worst start to a season in the club's history, to languish third from bottom of the division.

The club's debt of £4.6 million dictates that Ardiles has no spare cash, which is a shame because, for all the gloom, United are only two or three fresh faces removed from fulfilling those high expectations.

Their diamond formation makes for football that is easy on the eye, and while the pressure has weighed heavy on the shoulders of Watson, aged 17, the likes of Clark, Peacock, and O'Brien are thriving.

So much so that Millwall fell behind to an eighth-minute goal from Neilson, and altough Stephenson, once of Newcastle, responded by supplying the cross from which Kerr equalised with a rare header, Bruce Rioch's side seemed dazzled by the diamond.

For a manager who would not be seen dead bedecked in jewellery, Rioch is a bit of a diamond man. "I like the way Ossie's teams play," he said. "In pre-season, I started to get us to play with the diamond, but players objected. It gave Newcastle an awful lot of freedom in the first half, though."

The catalyst was O'Brien, who took advantage of a lightweight Millwall midfield by revelling in his role just in front of the central defenders, but Rae remedied the situation by marking him after the interval.

Increased possession enabled Stephenson to torment Neilson down the left, and, had the winger not undone much of his good work by being so rigidly right-footed, Millwall could have had United on the ropes.

Even so Davison had to make a few fine saves and McCarthy some bruising tackles before Kerr claimed a nintieth-minute winner. It was due solely to goalkeeper error, Srnicek, under pressure from Armstrong, fumbling McCarthy's free kick into Kerr's path.

Millwall belied their modest status with an attacking show, but they, like United, could have done with an Ardiles, or even a Rioch, in the midfield rather than the dug-out.

Rioch's former team, **Middlesbrough** stay five points clear at the top after drawing at **Plymouth Argyle**, but Newcastle can be consoled by two more defensive lapses at **Sunderland**, 2-1 losers to **Grimsby Town**.

MILLWALL: A Davison; I Dawes, C Cooper, I Bogie, M McCarthy, S Wood, P Kerr, J Colquhoun, M Falco (sub: C Armstrong), A Rae, P Stephenson (sub: K Stevens)
NEWCASTLE UNITED: P Srnicek; A Neilson, M Stimson, L O'Brien, K Scott, D Bradshaw, L Clark, G Peacock, M Quinn, A Walker (sub: A Hunt), K Brock.
Referee: T Holbrook

Commanding role: Jones's 86 helped Victoria

CRICKET

O'Donnell plays decisive role in Victoria's win

By Richard Streeton

CHELMSFORD (Victoria won toss): Victoria beat Essex by 59 runs

ONCE Graham Gooch was dismissed without scoring, a target of 275 represented a steep mountain for Essex to climb yesterday in this 50-over match, sponsored by Britannic Assurance. Victoria, efficient in every department, went on to complete a comprehensive victory and take the £4,000 winner's prize-money. Simon O'Donnell, their captain, was given the man-of-the-match award.

O'Donnell and Dean Jones tilted the match firmly towards the Sheffield Shield champions when they added 120 for the fourth wicket in the last 13 overs of the Victoria innings. Pringle mounted a brave, lone challenge in the closing stages but Essex, with fewer wickets in hand, were never able to summon equivalent late firepower.

Today the two teams start a four-day match worth £12,000 to the winners. Essex, the newly crowned county champions, will again be without Salim Malik, who returned home at the weekend and will be playing today in Pakistan's domestic knockout competition. Foster, though, who decided against risking his troublesome knees in the one-day game, will be in the county side.

Gooch was caught behind from the fourth ball of the innings as he tried to push Hughes square. A brilliant low catch by Lehmann, left-handed at short mid-on, sent back Prichard before a stand between Stephenson and Hussain briefly hinted that Essex might get close to the Victoria total. After adding 58 they were out in successive overs, however, and after this Victoria were always in control.

Hussain drove loosely and was caught by the wicketkeeper, left-handed down the leg side. Stephenson and Knight both drove over balls from Jackson, the left-arm spinner. Essex needed 102 from the final ten overs and this was never feasible. Pringle faced 55 balls for his 51 and was eighth out when he lifted a catch against Hughes to long leg. Hughes went on to take the last two wickets and finished with five for 41 as Victoria won with seven balls to spare.

Victoria were given a confident start before Phillips was run out after a good return by Knight from third man. Ramshaw batted soundly until he was second out at 148 in the 35th over, by which time the foundation had been firmly laid. Lehmann soon hoisted a catch to mid-on, but O'Donnell came in to hit 71 in 45 balls, with three sixes and five fours. After a brisk start, followed by a watchful period, Jones, too, struck the ball firmly. He finished with a six and four fours and faced 101 balls.

SCOREBOARD

CHELMSFORD (Victoria won toss). Victoria beat Essex by 59 runs

VICTORIA

D J Ramshaw b Pringle	71
W N Phillips run out	23
D M Jones not out	86
D S Lehmann c Andrew b Pringle	5
S P O'Donnell not out	71
Extras (b 1, lb 11, w 3, nb3)	18
Total (3 wkts, 50 overs)	274

Did not bat: G R Parker, A I C Dodemaide, M G Hughes, D S Berry, D W Fleming, P W Jackson

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-56, 2-148, 3-154.

BOWLING: Andrew 10-0-74-0, Pringle 10-0-50-2; Topley 10-0-46-0; Such 10-1-41-0, Gooch 8-0-38-0, Stephenson 2-0-15-0

ESSEX

*G A Gooch c Berry b Hughes	0
J P Stephenson b Jackson	49
P J Prichard c Lehmann b Hughes	12
N Hussain c Berry b Dodemaide	36
D R Pringle c Lehmann b Hughes	51
N V Knight b Jackson	10
†M A Garnham c and b Fleming	23
J J B Lewis b Fleming	0
T D Topley b Hughes	17
S J W Andrew not out	4
P M Such b Hughes	0
Extras (b 1, lb 9, w 2, nb1)	13
Total (48.5 overs)	215

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-0, 2-44, 3-102, 4-108, 5-130, 6-163, 7-163, 8-205, 9-213.

BOWLING: Hughes 9.5-1-41-5; Fleming 10-0-40-2; Dodemaide 10-0-40-1; O'Donnell 9-0-38-0; Jackson 10-0-45-2

Umpires: D J Constant and A A Jones.

☐ A third successive century from Steve Waugh put Australia B on their way to an eight-run victory over Zimbabwe in a one-day game in Harare yesterday.

McKinlay's goal saves long sequence

HEART of Midlothian had their lead at the top of the premier division trimmed to one point when they drew with Dundee United (Roddy Forsyth writes).

When United led through a headed goal by Ferguson, it seemed that Hearts, unbeaten at Tynecastle by United since March 1985, were about to see the sequence ended, but persistent forcing work by Mackay led to the equaliser by McKinlay.

Rangers, too, were a goal down against St Mirren, but Huistra and Nisbet netted in each half to push the champions into second place in the table, a point ahead of **Hibernian** and **Aberdeen** who drew at Pittodrie, preserving Hibs' record as Scotland's only unbeaten side.

Celtic were another team to come from behind, against **Airdrieonians**, and only got to 3-1 ahead after the visitors had been reduced to nine men.

Barnet's brave new world

By Keith Blackmore

THIRD AND FOURTH DIVISIONS

IN THE brave new world that follows the arrival of a super league, all small clubs may have to be like Barnet. Of the 13 players they fielded in the 3-3 draw against Gillingham on Saturday, only four were full-time professionals.

Four of the part-timers still live in the North and so have to train on their own or with other clubs. The rest of the players train under the eye of their manager, Barry Fry, only twice a week, once if there is a midweek match.

Yet the club stands second in the fourth division, only two months after joining it from the GM Vauxhall Conference, and their eight games have produced 35 goals, 21 of them at the right end.

Fry endures rather than endorses the part-time system but feels his team can go on making it work. "Nothing I have seen in the fourth division so far has frightened me," he said after his team had gained the point at Priestfield Stadium. "If I can get my lads to be a little bit more professional, then we could do well."

That view is not one that is entirely shared by Damien Richardson, the manager of Gillingham. "Barnet's strength at the moment is that they are so unpredictable," he said.

"Sometimes even the players themselves don't seem to know what they are going to do. They are going to reach a stage where they have to stop conceding so many goals and the changes they make then could make a difference to their whole style."

That defensive frailty was in evidence after only 72 seconds on Saturday, when Eeles put Gillingham ahead. But Wilson soon equalised before Lowe gave Barnet the lead with a wonderfully struck 25-yard free kick. Two goals by Crown restored Gillingham's advantage but Bull had the last word with his 11th goal of the season. No one in Gillingham's biggest crowd of the season, 4,864, could have left feeling short-changed.

Only Blackpool stand above Barnet in the table, but Rochdale have joined them on 17 points by beating Burnley at Turf Moor. Meanwhile, West Bromwich Albion took over the leadership of the third division, beating Chester City, while the previous leaders, Birmingham City, were losing to Hartlepool United.

GILLINGHAM: H Lim; T O'Shea, R Carpenter (sub: M Dempsey), K Elsey, A Walker, B Clarke, P Clark, D Crown, P Beadle (sub: S Lovell), M O'Connor, A Eeles.
BARNET: A Pape, G Poole, D Naylor, M Bodley, R Nugent (sub. G Blackford), P Wilson, R Willis, M Carter, G Bull, K Lowe (sub: D Tomlinson), P Showler.
Referee: M Pierce

YACHTING

Women crews show plenty of enterprise

MALE chauvinism was put firmly in its place in the Enterprise class when a record 108 crews contested the national women's dinghy championships on Grafham Water at the weekend (Barry Pickthall writes).

Georgia Horey and Jud Hulbert, sailing Doris Trout, from King George V reservoir, won four of their five Enterprise races. Carol Edmonds with Rachel Ford, sailing Phil Ford's Reject (renamed Mrs Ford for the weekend) took second from Sue Pinnell and Julie King aboard Still Lovely At 30.

Enterprise class: 1 Doris Trout (G Horey and J Hulbert, King George V SC); 2, Mrs Ford (C Edmonds and R Ford, Littleton SC), 3, Still Lovely at 30 (S Pinnell and J King, Littleton SC). Cadets class: 1, Tomahawk (S Nuttall and S Cuthbert, Parkstone SC); 2, PDQ (F Gifford and P Hancox, Tamesis SC); 3, It Takes Two (J Griffin and E Davies, West Kirby SC). 420 class: 1, Vanishing Smile (F Bullmore and J Tenney, Datchet Water SC); 2, Juicy (C Nelli and W Kibble, Ex SC); 3, E Sinton and C Boynton (Orton Mere SC). Laser II class: 1, Finki Junki (C Oldham and T Cooper, London Corinthians SC); 2, Flat Seps (V Taylor and M Chapman, Weston SC); 3, J Cousins and S McNamara (Datchet Water SC).
General handicap: 1, Fireball (R Fryer and S Smith, Chew Valley SC); 2, Lark (S White and A Mburn, Itchener SC), 3, Nahoral 12 (S Pelling and S Wright, Up River SC). Europe class: 1, Grlie Wimp (A Lucas, RNSA); 2, Ibis (C Simcock, Burton SC); 3, E Nettleship (British Steel SC). Laser class: 1, P Willin (Draycote SC); 2, N Evans (R Royal Harwich YC); 3, N Griffin (Llangorse SA).

CYCLING

Andresson given Olympic dry run

By Peter Bryan, Barcelona

OLYMPIC hopefuls yesterday felt the full strength of the heat they can expect at next year's Barcelona Games in a 100-mile trial race on the chosen circuit. And with the Olympic race at 120 miles and taking place in August, conditions are likely to be even harder.

Simeon Hempsall was early among the leaders but his group was caught. Matthew Stephens, of Great Britain, at one time more than two minutes in arrears, appeared at the head of the leading group of 13 with 23 miles remaining. As the pace increased Stephens was strong enough to be with a smaller front group of five which included the winner Michael Andresson, of Sweden.

Attacks from the main pack took three riders clear, bridging the gap to join Stephens' group and at the bell the number had increased to a dozen.

Stephens, based in France for most of this year, attacked with four miles to go knowing that he was unlikely to win in a sprint finish. He went clear but with a finish so close the others countered his move.

Andresson had better luck when he attacked just as Stephens was caught, opened a gap and quickly built a 20-second advantage. It increased to half a minute one mile from the line which he was able to maintain.

Like Stephens, the Swede rides for the Paris Boulogne-Billancourt club and yesterday's success was his tenth international victory of the season.

RESULTS: 100-mile Olympic trial (Barcelona): 1, M Andresson (Swe), 3hr 56min 41sec; 2, A Eds (Sp), at 32sec; 3, W Belli (It), at 33sec; 8, M Stephens (GB), at 44sec; 16, D Cook (GB), at 1min 05sec; 24, S Hempsall (GB), at 3min 20sec. Grand Prix: Track 4,000m team pursuit: 1, Denmark, 4min 16.324sec; 2, GB 4 19.16; 3, USSR 4:19.880. 30-km points race: J Carney (US) 43pts, 37min 07.461sec. Sprint final: J Fiedler (Ger) bt C Hamett (Can) 2-0; 3, D Lemyre (Fr). Women's sprint: C Young (US) bt I Haringa (Neth) 2-1. Women's 3,000m pursuit: 1, J Eickhoff (US) 3min 46.203sec; 2, M Clignet (Fr) 3:47.811; 3, H Malmberg (Den) 3:49.370. Womens road race (40 miles): 1, Clignet 1hr 42 min 33sec; 2, M Valen (Nor) at 55sec; 3, L Van Morsel (Neth).

EQUESTRIANISM

British riders have to settle for third spot

LANAKEN, Belgium — The United States won the first final of the HCS Nations Trophy here yesterday when they beat the German team in a jump-off. Both teams had eight faults over the initial two rounds, with the British in third place on 12 faults (a Special Correspondent writes).

As so often, the British team, with eight faults in the first round, improved in the second with just four faults. The score which counted against them was Nick Skelton's four at the fourth on Alan Paul Grandslam. David Broome's eight faults on Lannegan in the second round was the discard.

The surprise discard for the British in the first round was Michael Whitaker.

RESULTS: HCS Nations Trophy: Final: 1, United States, 8 faults (0 faults in 105 0sec in jump-off); 2, Germany, 8 (0, 108 49). 3, Britain, 12, equal 4. Belgium, Switzerland and Netherlands, 16; 7, France, 36 Zangersheide Grand Prix: 1, Henderson Gigaletumar (M Whitaker, GB), 0 faults in 49.91sec; 2, Optiebeurs Careful (Blaton, Bel), 0, 46.2; 3, Alan Paul Grandslam (N Skelton, GB), 4, 38.90.

IN BRIEF

First for Wilson

CLIFF Wilson, of Wales, came back from 4-2 down to beat Eddie Charlton, of Australia, 5-4 and win his first professional title in the inaugural World Seniors snooker championship at Trentham Gardens, Stoke.

Charlton had needed just a blue and a pink to take the seventh frame and the title.

☐ Mike Hallett beat Neal Foulds 9-7 to collect the Humo Belgian Masters title on Saturday.

OLYMPIC GAMES: The IOC president, Juan Antonio Samaranch, in Cairo for the opening of the fifth All-Africa Games, said he thought Egypt might be in a position to bid for the Games in 2004.

TENNIS: The world No. 1, Monica Seles, trounced Mary Joe Fernandez, 6-1, 6-1, in the final of the Nichirei international women's tournament in Tokyo yesterday.

☐ The David Lloyd Racquet Club won their seventh men's title in the Puma National Club championships by beating Banbury West End 3-2.

RUGBY LEAGUE: Penrith, who beat holders Canberra 19-12 in the Australian Grand Final yesterday face the English champions, Wigan, in the Foster's World Challenge at Anfield, Liverpool, on Wednesday, October 2.

EQUESTRIANISM: Lynne Bevan, riding Horton Point, took the individual bronze medal in the European young riders three-day event in Turin, while the team finished third.

BOWLS: Gary Smith and his wife, Jayne, won the McCarthy and Stone national mixed pairs competition at Coventry yesterday, beating Peter and Beryl Day, of Brixham, 22-16.

GOLF: Tony Allen won the English Golf Union's tournament of champions for Warwickshire at Clitheroe yesterday, with a level-par 142.

FOR THE RECORD

AFRICAN GAMES

CAIRO: Swimming: Finals: Men: 100m breaststroke: A R Bella (Alg), 1min 07.55sec. 100m butterfly: S Khalef (Alg), 58.43. 200m freestyle: H Sell (Egypt), 1:54.66 (African record). Women: 100m freestyle: S Gharbi (Tun), 58.64sec. 200m freestyle: Gharbi, 2min 07.28sec. 400m individual medley: I Hamch (Alg), 5:12.78. 4 x 200m relay: Tunisia, 9:02.21.

ATHLETICS

BARCELONA: IAAF grand prix final: Men: 200m: 1, M Johnson (US), 19.88sec; 2, R Da Silva (Br), 20.25; 3, F Fredericks (Namibia), 20.47; 4, J Regis (GB), 20.51. Final positions: 1, Johnson, 63pts; 2, Fredericks, 51; 3, Regis, 43. 400m: 1, R Black (GB), 44.97sec; 2, A Valmon (US), 45.39; 3, R Pierre (US), 45.67. Final positions: 1, Black, 54pts; 2, Valmon, 48; 3, Pierre, 39. 1,500m: 1, N Morceli (Alg), 3min 34.46sec; 2, S Aouita (Mor), 3:36.13; 3, J-P Herold (Ger), 3:36.37. 4, M Yelas (GB), 3:36.39; 5, S Crem (GB), 3:39.51. Final positions: 1, Morceli, 69pts; 2, Aouita, 42; 3, Herold, 42; 4, Yelas, 33; 5, Crem, 33. 3,000m: 1, A Sahere (Mor), 8min 13.83sec; 2, M Kiptanui (Ken), 8:13.92; 3, P Sang (Ken), 8:15.85. Final positions: 1, Kiptanui, 57pts; 2, Sang, 47; 3, Sahere, 45. 5,000m: 1, J Korir (Ken), 13min 22.14sec; 2, B Boutayeb (Mor), 13:22.89; 3, M Ntawilikura (Rwanda), 13:28.40. Final positions: 1, Boutayeb, 61pts; 2, R Chelimo (Ken), 42; 3, I Kiruthu (Ken), 41. 110m hurdles: 1, A Dallas (US), 13.37sec; 2, J Pierce (US), 13.44; 3, R Nehemiah (US), 13.64. 5, D Nelson (GB), 13.71. Final positions: 1, Dass, 61pts; 2, Nehemiah, 57; 3, Pierce, 48. 7, C Jackson (GB), 26. Discus: 1, L Riedel (Ger), 64.20m; 2, W Schmidt (Ger), 64.16; 3, R Ubartas (USSR), 63.98. Final positions: 1, Ubartas, 55pts; 2, Riedel, 45; 3, A Horvath (Hun), 38. Long jump: 1, L Statts (US), 8.19m; 2, L Myricks (US), 8.08; 3, J Jefferson (Cuba), 7.91. Final positions: 1, Statts, 59pts; 2, Myricks, 53; 3, M Powell (US), 45. Pole vault: 1, S Bubka (USSR), 5.85m; 2, S Huffman (US), 5.75. 3, K Tarpenning (US), 5.75. Final positions: 1, Bubka, 69pts; 2, Tarpenning, 48; 3, Huffman, 46. Javelin: 1, J Zelezny (Cz), 87.76m; 2, W Sawonovich (USSR), 84.76. 3, K Kinnunen (Fin), 82.98. Final positions: 1, Zelezny, 63pts; 2, Kinnunen, 43; 3, Sasimovich, 38. 7, M Hill (GB), 35.
WOMEN: 100m: 1, M Otey (Jam), 10.87sec; 2, G Torrence (US), 11.08; 3, E Ashford (US), 11.18. Final positions: 1, Otey, 63pts; 2, Torrence, 57; 3, M Onyali (Nigeria), 45. 800m: 1, A Quirot (Cuba), 2min 01.17sec; 2, H Boulmerka (Alg), 2:01.28; 3, L Gurina (USSR), 2:01.89. Final positions: 1, Quirot, 59pts; 2, Gurina, 47; 3, C Crooks (US), 42. Mile: 1, N Artyomova (USSR), 4 17.00; 2, M Slaney (US), 4:28.35; 3, L Rogachova (USSR), 4:29.51. Final positions: 1, Artyomova, 63pts; 2, D Maintre (Rom), 46; 3, H Boulmerka (Alg), 37. 3,000m: 1, T Dorovskikh (USSR), 8min 46.39sec; 2, M Keszeg (Rom), 8:46.76; 3, S Sierra (Kan), 8:46.93. Final positions: 1, Sirna, 48pts; 2, Keszeg, 47; 3, P Flumer (US), 45. 400m hurdles: 1, S Farmer-Patrick (US), 53.74sec; 2, J Vickers (US), 54.07; 3, K Batten (US), 54.20; 4, S Gunnell (GB), 54.37. Final positions: 1, Farmer-Patrick, 63pts; 2, Gunnell, 51; 3, M Ponomaryova (USSR), 50. Shot: 1, Huang Zhihong (China), 20.06m; 2, N Lisovskaya (USSR), 19.88; 3, A Kumbernuss (Ger), 19.43; 5, J Oakes (GB), 18.57. Final positions: 1, Huang, 61pts; 2, Lisovskaya, 57; 3, Kumbernuss, 49. 6, Oakes, 31. High jump: 1, H Henkel (Ger), 2.02m; 2, S Konstadinova (Bul), 2.00; 3, A Bradburn (US), 1.88. Final positions: 1, Henkel, 63pts; 2, Kostadinova, 51; 3, I Babakova (USSR), 40.
OVERALL GRAND PRIX POSITIONS: Men: 1, Bubka, 69pts; 2, Zelezny, 63; 3, Johnson, 63. Women: 1, Henkel, 63; 2, Otey, 63; 3, Artyomova, 63.
TALENCE, France: International combined meeting: Decathlon: 1, C Plaziat (Fr), 8,458pts; 2, M Medved (USSR), 8,218; 3, S Poelman (NZ), 8,168; 4, E Hamalainen (USSR), 8,084. British placing: 10, S Shirley, 6,893. Heptathlon: 1, U Wlodarczyk (Pol), 6,425; 2, L Nastase (Rom), 6,369; 3, P Beer (Ger), 6,294; 4, I Byelova (USSR), 6,270.
GRE BRITISH LEAGUE: Fifth division play-off (Luton): 1, Border, 340pts; 2, Bristol, 330; 3, Hounslow, 324; 4, Bournemouth, 320; 5, Peterborough, 294; 6, Stretford, 239; 7, Shettleston, 200; 8, Colwyn Bay, 152 (Border and Bristol promoted. Stretford relegated).
GLASGOW: Diet Coke Great Scottish Run: Men: 1, D Lewis (Rosendale H), 1hr 4min 23sec; 2, J Kipsang (Ken), 1:04:28; 3, J Robson (Reebok RC), 1:04:29. Women: 1, A Wallace (Torbay), 1:11:25; 2, K McLeod (Edinburgh), 1:14:22; 3, A Hulley (Leeds City), 1:17:04
HARTLEPOOL: Peterlee half-marathon: B Bewick (Sunderland), 1hr 11min 20sec. Women: C Walton (unattached), 1:28:00.

AUSTRALIAN RULES

AUSTRALIAN FOOTBALL LEAGUE: Semi-final: West Coast 11-13 (79) bt Geelong 8-16 (64).

BADMINTON

MONTREAL: Canadian Open championships: Semi-finals: Men's singles: S Butler (GB) bt C Thomsen (Den), 15-4, 15-12; A Antropov (USSR) bt Sung Woo Park (S Kor), 15-9, 1-15, 15-6. Women's singles: Eun Jung Shim (S Kor) bt A Miyamura (Japan), 11-7, 11-8. E Rybkina (USSR) bt I Serova (USSR), 11-3, 4-11, 11-8.

BOWLS

BROADSTAIRS: Woolwich Open: Men: Pairs: Section finals: D Stevens and F Webb bt D Francis and D Boding, 23-11; P Walthen and S Simcock bt G Sharp and F Harris, 22-13, G Yandle and F Jackson bt F Wigmore and P Dean, 23-20; R Morrison and R Harrison bt F Dunn and K Stroud, 20-17. Semi-finals: Stevens and Webb bt Walthen and Simcock, 25-7. Yandle and Jackson bt Morrison and Harrison, 26-8. Final: Stevens and Webb bt Yandle and Jackson, 21-16. Women: Semi-finals: B Shooter and M Jarvis bt H Daws and P Edwards, 32-8; I Grace and G Roberts bt I Knight and J Webb, 23-13. Final: Shooter and Jarvis bt Grace and Roberts, 24-13
COVENTRY: McCarthy and Stone mixed pairs national championship: Quarter-finals: B and P Day (St Marys Park, Brixham) bt V Thomson (Hinckley) and W Hobart (Boston), 23-13, I Barber (Shepherd's Bush) and C Smyth (Paddington) bt R Large (Bembridge) and K Hambling (Shanklin), 32-15, J Smith (Henlow Park) and G Smith (Blackheath and Greenwich) bt L and A Jones (Welwyn), 29-23. D and P Else (Rayleigh) bt M and E Smith (Dereham), 30-5. Semi-finals: Day and Day bt Barber and Smyth, 22-16; Smith and Smith bt Else and Else, 23-11. Final: Smith and Smith bt Day and Day, 22-16
BEDFORD CUP: Bedfordshire 18, Huntingdonshire 26
INTER-COUNTY MATCH: Middlesex 91, Essex 129.

EQUESTRIANISM

TURIN: European young riders' three-day event championships: Final placings: 1, Echanto (P Müller, Ger), 49.80pts, 2, Monbon (J M Bazire, Fr), 54.80; 3, Horton Point (L Bevan, GB), 55.60. Other British placings: 12, Smithstown Lad (K Gifford), 73.00; 15, T R Minking (C Bell), 77.35; 23, Fair Dinkum (S Taylor), 125.80; 28, Diamond Peller (L Jennings), 155.80. Teams: 1, France, 192.80; 2, Italy, 199.80; 3, Great Britain, 205.95, 4, Ireland, 229.80, 5, Germany, 257.00.
GOODWOOD: Taylor Woodrow national dressage championship: Novice: 1, Momir (V Mile); 2, Soloist (S Newcomb). Elementary: 1, Duruto's Casanova (E Theilgaard); 2, Castrino (P Starr). Medium: 1, Gainzpunkt (C Hester); 2, Enchante (S Clarke). Advanced medium: 1, Gainzpunkt, 2, Marquis Biron (E Theilgaard) Prix St Georges: 1, Wesley (C Hester); 2, Freya (S Dwyer). Intermediate: 1, Georgette (C Hester), 2, Royal Star (A Dosey) Grand Prix: 1, Quarryman (L Fry); 2, Dutch Gold (J Lonsdale-Clarke).

RUGBY UNION

CLUB MATCH: Metropolitan Police 6, London Scottish 34
WELSH SCHOOLS NATIONAL LEAGUE: Amman Valley 12, Queen Elizabeth Maridunum 6

SNOOKER

ANTWERP: International tournament: Semi-finals: M Hallett (Eng) bt J White (Eng), 6-5, N Foulds (Eng) bt J Parrott (Eng), 6-5 Final: Hallett bt Foulds, 9-7
STOKE: World seniors championship: Semi-final: E Charlton (Aus) bt D Taylor (N Ire), 5-3 Final: C Wilson (Wales) bt Charlton, 5-4
STIRLING: Regal Ladies Masters: Quarter-finals: L Hornbogh (Blackpool) bt J Gillespie (Doune), 4-0; T Davidson (Banbury) bt S Dickson (Newport), 4-1; A-M Farren (Nottingham) bt M Fisher (Wisbech), 4-0; A Fisher (Hadlow) bt K Shaw (Wisbech), 4-0 Semi-finals: Hornbogh bt Davidson, 4-1 Fisher bt Farren, 4-3

BASEBALL

NATIONAL LEAGUE: Friday: Philadelphia Phillies 8, Pittsburgh Pirates 3 New York Mets 1, St Louis Cardinals 0; Houston Astros 3, Cincinnati Reds 2; San Diego Padres 10, San Francisco Giants 5, Atlanta Braves 3, Los Angeles Dodgers 0 Postponed: Chicago Cubs at Montreal Expos Saturday: New York Mets 5, St Louis Cardinals 3 Pittsburgh Pirates 7, Philadelphia Phillies 0; Cincinnati Reds 4, Houston Astros 1, Los Angeles Dodgers 2, Atlanta Braves 1, San Diego Padres 3 San Francisco Giants 2.
AMERICAN LEAGUE: Friday: Boston Red Sox 2, New York Yankees 0, Baltimore Orioles 2, Cleveland Indians 1, Milwaukee Brewers 8, Detroit Tigers 5; Minnesota Twins 6, Texas Rangers 4, Chicago White Sox 3, California Angels 2 (11 innings); Oakland A's 6, Toronto Blue Jays 5 (11 innings), Kansas City Royals 3, Seattle Mariners 0 Saturday: Cleveland Indians 10, Baltimore Orioles 1; Oakland A's 4, Toronto Blue Jays 0; Boston Red Sox 12, New York Yankees 1, California Angels 4, Chicago White Sox 3, Milwaukee Brewers 5, Detroit Tigers 2, Minnesota Twins 8, Texas Rangers 4; Seattle Mariners 4, Kansas City Royals 1

CYCLING

WESTMINSTER GRAND PRIX (50 miles) 1, S Snand (Wembley-Tesiara RC), 1hr 53min 28sec, 2, C Lillywhite (Banana-Falcon), at 1sec, 3, M Illingworth (GB Amateurs), 4 A Doyle (The European), 5, B Luckwell (Townsend Cycles), 6, J Clay (Banana-Falcon), all same time King of the sprints: Lillywhite

Hallett: snooker victory in Antwerp tournament

BASKETBALL

CARLSBERG LEAGUE: Men: First division: Derby 74, London 73; Hemel Hempstead 100, Sunderland 36, Kingston 108, Birmingham 84; Leicester 71, Thames Valley 86, Manchester 83, Cheshire 87. Second division: Coventry 75, Broxbourne 91, Doncaster 68, Bury 70, Greenwich 64, Plymouth 83, Oldham 71, Barnsley 54. Third division: Chiltern 87, Leicester 67; Crystal Palace 83, Cheshire 63; Mid Sussex 90, Calderdale 75, North London 84, Stevenage 105; Sedgefield 71, Swindon 81 Women: First division: Hemel Hempstead 57, Thames Valley 76, Leicester 54, Northampton 77, Rhondda 65, London YMCA 71.

HOCKEY

BERLIN: Champions' Trophy: Men: Germany 2, Soviet Union 2; Pakistan 1, Great Britain 0; Netherlands 5, Soviet Union 1, Germany 2, Australia 0 Women: Germany 0, Netherlands 0; Australia 2, South Korea 1, Spain 2, China 2.
CLUB MATCHES: Men: Nuneaton 0, Coventry and N Warwickshire 6; Warwick 3, Evesham 1; Wednesbury 1, Stafford 0.
WORCESTER CUP: First round: Vampires 1, Upton 0

FOOTBALL

BARCLAYS LEAGUE: Fourth division, Aldershot 1, Halifax 3, Doncaster 0, Blackpool 2.
BORD GAIS LEAGUE OF IRELAND: Shelbourne 1, Drogheda United 0
GERMAN LEAGUE: Wattenschied 1, Bochum 2, Karlsruhe 1, Fortuna Düsseldorf 5, Borussia Mönchengladbach 2, Cologne 2
BELGIAN LEAGUE: Cercle Bruges 2, Charleroi 0.
NEVILLE OVENDEN COMBINATION: Norwich 1, Luton 0

GOLF

ENDICOTT, New York: BC Open: Leading third-round scores (US unless stated): 200: S Faxon, 65, 64, 71 201: F Couples, 66, 67, 68 204: P Jacobsen, 68, 68, 68. B McCallister, 64, 68, 72 205: G Whaman, 69, 70, 66, D Peoples, 69, 70, 66 206: L Janzen, 73, 68, 65, B Lumm, 70, 70, 66, M McCullough 70, 70, 66, S Pate, 68, 70, 68. P Broadhurst (GB), 66, 69, 71, M Reid, 68, 67, 71 M Wiebe, 67, 68, 71
TOKYO: Men's tournament: Leading final scores (Japan unless stated) 282: A Onizuka, 68, 71, 72, 71 284: R Kawagishi, 68, 73, 72, 71 286: T Nakajima, 68, 73, 74, 71 288: Y Hagawa, 70, 75, 73, 70 T Yoneyama, 69, 72, 75, 71, M Ozaki, 69 75, 72 72 289. Chen Tze-ming (Taiwan), 74, 71, 74, 70, B Langer (Ger) 71, 72, 74 72, M O'Meara (US), 70, 72, 73, 74, P Izumikawa, 70, 68, 75, 76.
SEATTLE, Washington: Women's tournament: Leading third-round scores (US unless stated) 208: P Bradley, 69, 67, 72 209: J Dickinson, 73, 68, 68 210: M Edge 68, 68, 73, K Monghan 72,71,67 211: D Lasker, 70, 69, 72 R Jones, 68, 72, 71 212: D Mochrie, 73, 67, 72 B Burton, 65, 75, 71 British scores: 221: K Davies, 72, 73, 76, I Johnson, 73, 74, 74
ALBARELLA, Venice: Italian women's open: Leading final scores (GB and Ire unless stated) 272: C Dibnah (Aus), 71, 65, 69, 67 275: F Descampe (Bel), 69 69, 69, 68 276: M Lunn (Aus), 70, 68, 68, 70, M-L de Lorenzi (Fr), 68, 64, 73, 71, S Keogh, 69, 68, 67, 72 277: S Mendiburu (Fr) 75 64, 72, 66, K Douglas, 73, 69, 65, 70 278, D Reid, 72, 70, 69 67 279: K Pearce (Aus), 70 68, 70, 71 280: L Maniz (SA) 75, 66, 73, 66, J Wunsch (Sp), 72, 71, 70, 67, K Crawford (US), 73, 72, 68, 67: D Dowling, 69, 71, 72, 68 S Gronberg (Swe), 70, 68, 73, 69 A Nicholas, 69, 71, 70, 70, C Soulen (Fr), 70, 69 70 71, T Abyttol (Sp), 68, 71, 68, 73 281: P Grice-Whitaker, 74, 68, 70, 69

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Eubank's brightest hour turns sadly sour

By SRIKUMAR SEN
BOXING CORRESPONDENT

IT WAS Chris Eubank's brightest hour and his darkest. He proved himself a true champion by getting up off the canvas in the eleventh round of the World Boxing Organisation super-middleweight title bout on Saturday to floor Michael Watson and stop him in the next round. But his triumph was marred by the knowledge that his disabling blows caused Watson to undergo an emergency brain operation to remove a clot.

The cruellest irony of the fight was that it is Eubank who has always maintained boxing is a barbaric sport while Watson, together with most boxers, said Eubank was "a disgrace" and "did not deserve respect" for letting the side down by his public utterances against boxing.

They questioned the size of Eubank's heart and whether it was really in boxing or in his boots. There can no longer be a question mark over his courage but, in the light of the disastrous consequences of the bout, there must be some doubt about his boxing career.

Boxers who inflict serious injuries on their opponents usually suffer from depression but recover to continue their careers. But Eubank, if nothing else, differs from the mould. If he sincerely believes boxing is barbarous, Watson's plight could make him give up the sport he hates at the age of 25.

Curiously enough, even before the full extent of Watson's condition was known, Barry Hearn, the promoter, told boxing writers: "You will have to ask Eubank how many fights he has left in him." Eubank was not available for comment because he, too, had been taken to hospital suffering from exhaustion and complaining of body pains.

Ronnie Davies, Eubank's trainer, said: "I hate to see him in fights like this. I've never seen Chris like that in the dressing-room. When he sat down, he fell apart. I had to take his socks off."

Hearn said yesterday: "You cannot be sure how all of this will affect Chris in the long run. My first reaction is that he is a professional sportsman and a fighter. Fighting is what he does for a living; that's his job.

Time to stop: Francis, the referee, steps in to save Watson from more punishment

"Everyone reacts differently to this kind of situation. It's impossible to say how it can affect an individual's attitude to life and to the sport. Chris is naturally concerned about Michael's condition. The thing he wants most is to visit Watson when he is sitting up in his hospital bed recovering.

"He has told me his thoughts now are only for Michael. It may be difficult for the public to understand that there is a bond of respect after a great contest like this."

It was a pity that the ending cast a shadow over the contest. It was the most thrilling contest I can remember seeing in a British ring. If in pace and intensity it did not quite equal the Hagler-Hearns bout for the world middleweight title in Las Vegas in 1985, it left the 15,000 crowd at the Tottenham Hotspur football ground just as breathless. You wondered how long could they keep it up. You feared for their safety.

The bout had everything: courage, aggression, good boxing and a determination to succeed. In the pre-fight publicity, both men had talked themselves into positions from where there was no retreat. Watson set such a relentless pace that Eubank, who likes to run and pick his punches, was forced to fight.

He jabbed, looped over rights, brought up uppercuts, but Watson refused to give ground. I believe it was the cumulative effect of those blows that did the damage more than just simply the final uppercut and left hook from Eubank.

As Eubank said: "I knew from round six that the man was too strong for me. But I knew I could go the distance. I didn't think he could survive at the pace." The very tactics of constant aggression that put Watson ahead on all officials' cards — by one, three and six rounds — brought about his downfall in the eleventh.

Watson floored Eubank, for the first time in this life, with a left and a right to the chin. The Brighton man got up, gathered his fists together like a man picking up rocks, muttered "Come on" and advanced on Watson who, as he had done all night, obliged, and walked into a right uppercut through the middle of his guard. Eubank swivelled a left hook on to Watson's chin that dropped him.

He rose unsteadily but, before Eubank could follow up, the bell came to his rescue. He was helped to his corner by his trainer, Jimmy Tibbs, but the minute's rest did little for him. Clearly the brain's system had started to break down for, at the bell, he stood up yet was unable to advance.

He moved forward with a little coaxing but stood against the ropes offering no defence. Eubank started a scrabbling attack but the referee, Roy Francis, seeing Watson had nothing left, stepped in.

At the time, it seemed that the intervention had been too early but, from what followed, it was clear that Francis had acted correctly. Watson stumbled back to his corner and collapsed. The ring doctor, Ossie Ross, rushed to Watson's assistance; outside, the police rushed to the assistance of ring stewards under pressure from a hooligan wielding a chair.

Watson was carried out on a stretcher through an unyielding crowd and taken to the North Middlesex Hospital. Shortly after arrival there, he was moved to St Bartholomew's. Hearn assured us that he had regained consciousness but all was clearly not well. I recalled the words of a boxing official who said after Watson collapsed in the ring: "When they walk back to their corner and collapse, it usually means something very serious."

Sadly, he was to be proved right.

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Senna does enough to secure championship

Disqualification ends Mansell's chances of title

From NORMAN HOWELL IN ESTORIL

NIGEL Mansell was disqualified from the Portuguese grand prix here yesterday, a decision that has all but put the Formula One world championship beyond the reach of the Williams-Renault driver. While Mansell's team-mate, Riccardo Patrese, finished first, the second place taken by Ayrton Senna has almost certainly given the McLaren driver his third drivers' championship.

Everything had pointed to the victory Mansell needed if he was to reduce Senna's 18-point lead in the title race until the thirtieth lap yesterday. Mansell was leading comfortably. Patrese was following faithfully and Senna was driving conservatively in fourth place behind his team-mate, Gerhard Berger. The Williams team was conducting the perfect tactical race — until Mansell came in for fresh tyres at a planned pit-stop.

It took 7.75sec to change all four tyres, fast enough to keep him in the lead. Mansell roared off the Williams stand but stopped a few yards from the end of the pit lane. His rear right tyre flew into the Tyrrell pits, scattering the personnel there, leaving Mansell gesticulating furiously.

Unfortunately, Mansell had come to a halt in the acceleration lane out of the pits. Stopping there is forbidden, as is reversing in the pit lane. Mansell knew this better than most as he had done so two years ago on this very track, when he was also disqualified.

The Williams team, in an impossible situation, took the risk of putting on a new wheel. It took the race stewards some time to reach a decision but inevitably Peter Windsor, the Williams team manager, was informed that Mansell would be black-flagged and disqualified from the race.

It was the end of the Portuguese race for Mansell and realistically the end of the title race for the Briton who, after the pit crew had fixed his wheel, had roared back from seventeenth to sixth place and was looking good for a third-place finish when he was ordered to pull out.

With three rounds of the championship remaining, Senna has a 24-point advantage over Mansell, who was immediately bundled into a car and driven away from the track in tears. "I've done my best," Mansell said. "I'm so upset I can hardly speak."

Frank Williams, the team owner, took the disqualification more stoically. "We can't appeal against the stewards' decision," he said. "We changed the wheel in the wrong place and we have to accept the consequences." But it is a terrible blow for the team — all the money and effort spent on designing a car capable of winning the championship ruined by a wheel nut that did not fit properly.

But if Mansell's race until the ill-fated tyre stop was a classic example of a driver at his best, his start was criticised by both McLaren drivers. "At the start Nigel veered towards me and if this had happened at any other race I would have let the accident happen," Senna said. "I really think he chose the wrong strategy for the start."

Berger, whose McLaren fell victim of an engine misfire on the 37th lap while in second place, said: "He took a big risk. I mean, I don't think this is the right way to approach it, because if I had not opened the door we would have had a big crash."

Not that Mansell will be worrying about that as he heads for his home on the Algarve. He seems to be dogged by bad luck in his vain challenges for the title. In a world of hi-tech precision, this true racer seems always to find something to ambush him.

Amid the drama, Jean Alesi confirmed once more that given the means he can deliver the points, finishing in third place. However, the Ferrari engineers must have been embarassed by the sight of Pier-Luigi Martini's Minardi-Ferrari running Alesi close and finishing fourth. Behind him was Nelson Piquet, which has helped raise his profile in the 1992 drivers' market, and in sixth place was Michael Schumacher, the German who has scored points in two of his first three races.

☐ Asia may get another Formula One grand prix next year, the international federation president, Jean-Marie Ballestre, said yesterday. Ballestre said the number of races maybe increased by one to 17 in 1992, though he did not say in which country. Japan hosts the only grand prix in Asia at present.

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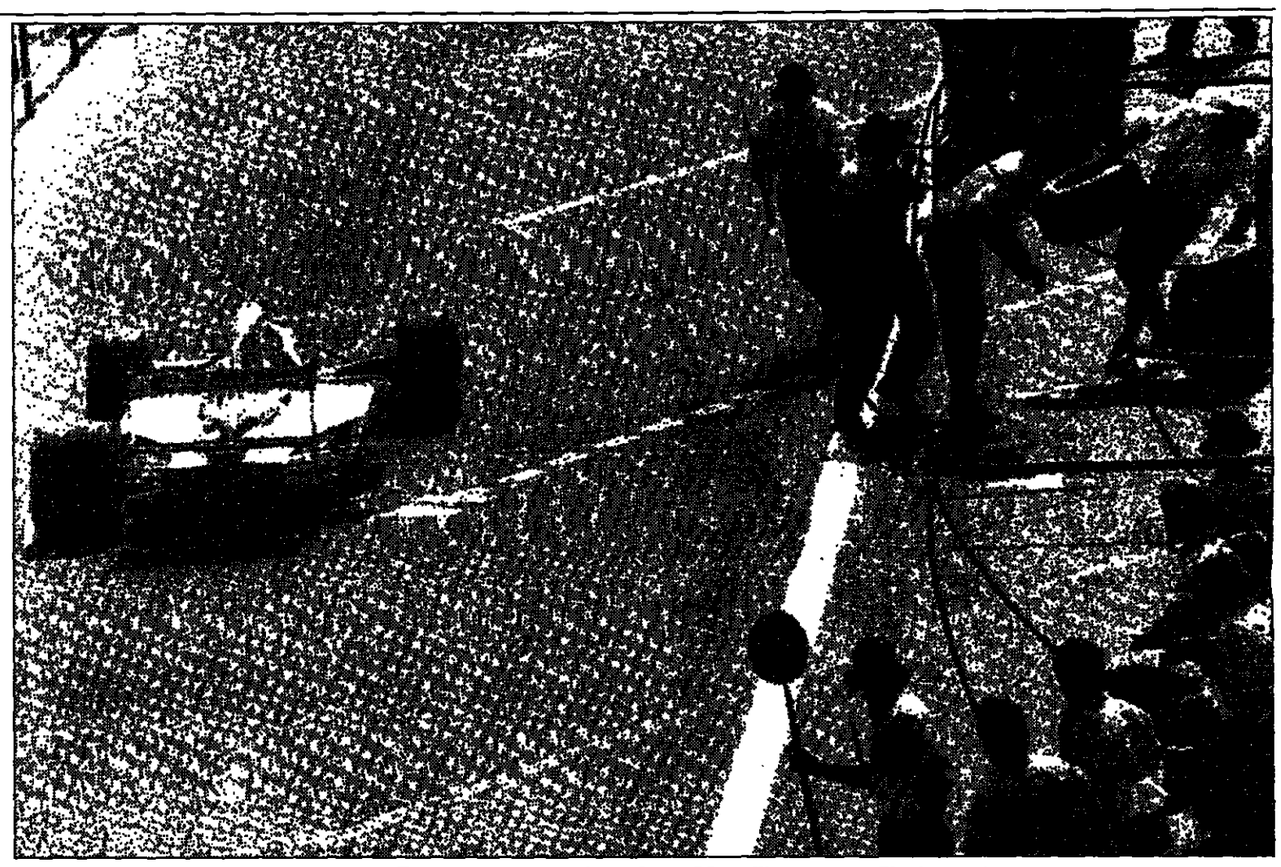

Ambitions punctured: members of the Tyrrell team take evasive action as Mansell's rear wheel flies into their pits in Estoril yesterday

DETAILS FROM ESTORIL

RESULTS: 1, R Patrese (It), Williams-Renault, 1hr 35min 42.304sec (average speed 120.314mph); 2, A Senna (Br), McLaren-Honda, at 20.941sec; 3, J Alesi (Fr), Ferrari, 53.554; 4, P Martini (It), Minardi-Ferrari, 1:03.498; 5, N Piquet (Br), Benetton-Ford, 1 10.033; 6, M Schumacher (Ger), Benetton-Ford, 1:16.582; 7, M Gugelmin (Br), Leyton-Inmor, 1 lap; 8, A de Cesaris (It), Jordan-Ford, 1 lap; 9, G Morbidelli (It), Minardi-Ferrari, 1 lap; 10, R Moreno (Br), Jordan-Ford, 1 lap; 11, E Comas (Fr), Ligier-Lamborghini, 1 lap; 12, M Brundle (GB), Brabham-Yamaha, 3 laps; 13, S Nakajima (Japan), Tyrrell-Honda, 3 laps; 14, M Hakkinen (Fin), Lotus-Judd, 3 laps; 15, M Alboreto (It), Footwork-Ford, 3 laps; 16, T Boutsen (Bel), Ligier-Lamborghini, 3 laps; 17, I Capelli (It), Leyton-Inmor, 7 laps. Did not finish (laps completed): 18, S Modena (It), Tyrrell-Honda, 56 laps; 19, N Mansell (GB), Williams-Renault, 51 laps (disqualified); 20, A Suzuki (Japan), Lola-Ford, 40 laps; 21, A Prost (Fr), Ferrari, 39 laps; 22, G Berger (Austria), McLaren-Honda, 37 laps; 23, E Pirro (It), BMS-Dallara-Ford, 18 laps; 24, J J Lehto (Fin), BMS-Dallara-Judd, 14 laps; 25, M Blundell (GB), Brabham-Yamaha, 12 laps; 26, J Herbert (GB), Lotus-Judd, 1 lap. Fastest lap: Mansell, 1:18.179 (124.467mph).

WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP POSITIONS (after 13 rounds): Drivers: 1, Senna, 83pts; 2, Mansell, 59; 3, Patrese, 44; 4, Berger, 31; equal 5, Prost and Piquet, 25; 7, Alesi, 18; equal 8, Modena and de Cesaris, 9; 10, Moreno, 8; equal 11, Lehto and B Gachot (Fr), 4; 13, Martini, 6; 14, Schumacher, 3; equal 15, Hakkinen and Nakajima 2; equal 17, Bailey, Suzuki, Pirro, E Bernard (Fr), Capelli and Blundell. 1. Constructors: 1, McLaren, 114; 2, Williams, 103; 3, Ferrari 48; 4, Benetton, 36; 5, Jordan 13; 6, Tyrrell, 11; 7, Dallara 5; equal 8, Minardi and Lotus, 3; 10, Lola, 2; equal 11, Leyton House and Brabham, 1

FINAL PRACTICE TIMES: 1, Patrese, 1min 13.001sec; 2, Berger, 1:13.221; 3, Senna, 1:13.444; 4, Mansell, 1:13.667; 5, Prost, 1:14.352; 6, Alesi, 1 14.852; 7, Gugelmin, 1:15.266; 8, Martini, 1:15.394; 9, Capelli, 1:15.481; 10, Schumacher, 1:15.578; 11, Piquet, 1.15.666; 12, Modena, 1:15.707; 13, Morbidelli, 1:15.749; 14, de Cesaris, 1.15.936; 15, Blundell, 1:16.036; 16, Moreno, 1:16.080; 17, Pirro, 1:16 135; 18, Lehto, 1:16 532; 19, Brundle, 1:16 536; 20, Boutsen, 1:16.757; 21, Nakajima, 1:16.926; 22, Herbert, 1:17.015; 23, Comas, 1:17.226; 24, Alboreto, 1:17.330; 25, Suzuki, 1:17.434; 26, Hakkinen, 1:17.714. Did not qualify: 27, Bernard, Lola, 1 17.825; 28, G Tarquini (It), AGS, 1:18 022; 29, N Larini (It), Lamborghini, 1 18.139; 30, E van de Poele (Bel), Lamborghini, 1:18.266.

REMAINING GRANDS PRIX: September 29: Spain (Barcelona) October 20: Japan (Suzuka). November 3: Australia (Adelaide).

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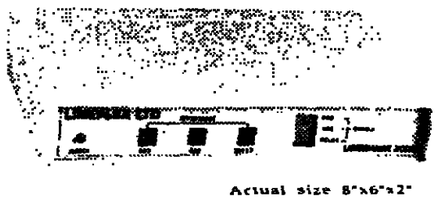

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Wales select Davies to provide cover

By DAVID HANDS
RUGBY CORRESPONDENT

THE storm clouds lifted slightly for Wales as they completed their match preparations for rugby union's World Cup over the weekend. They have lost Glyn Llewellyn, the Neath lock, to injury as they knew they would but the medical reports on Ieuan Evans, the captain, and Mark Ring give cause for confidence.

Llewellyn, who broke his thumb last weekend, concedes his place not to another forward but to Adrian Davies, the Cambridge University captain and stand-off half.

This brings the backs to a conventional 12 and provides additional cover for Ring. The Cardiff player hopes to be training at speed by next weekend after a knee operation. Evans, the Llanelli wing, also hopes to resume contact work shortly after damaging a shoulder against France earlier this month. There were no further injuries from the weekend in Tenby, which concluded yesterday with a satisfactory exercise against a Pembrokeshire XV.

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Olazábal hits Ryder Cup form

By MEL WEBB

JOSÉ-MARÍA Olazábal relieved Bernard Gallacher, captain of Europe's Ryder Cup team, of one small worry when he signalled an emphatic return to form by claiming a runaway victory in the Epson Grand Prix at St Pierre yesterday with a final round of 66 and a total of 265, 19 under par.

Olazábal has been unhappy about the shape of his game, and his enthusiasm for playing it, for some time. Certainly his form in Europe this season has been patchy following a good start when he won the Catalan Open on home territory in March.

Since then he has had only a second place in the French Open to lift his spirits in a summer which saw his confidence fall. However, in this tournament he made hardly a mistake, leading from start to finish to win by a margin of nine shots from Mark James, his Ryder Cup team-mate.

"I feel back to my best form," Olazábal said. "My game and my confidence are back to 100 per cent." And so they should be after a performance which augurs well for his third appearance against the United States in Kiawah Island this week.

Olazábal and James were both wild-card selections for the European team, and although Gallacher expressed public confidence in both of them, he must have felt the odd qualm or two about their form as he pencilled their names into his team.

Their golf this week is bound to have alleviated Gallacher's concern. On another day James's performance, as he went to a closing round of 70, might have been a winning one. It is difficult, however, to give Olazábal five shots at the start of 18 holes and have any real hopes of catching him.

The nearest the Yorkshireman got to his young Spanish opponent was when he reduced the leeway to four by driving the green and calmly taking two putts for a birdie three on the 309-yard 8th.

The key hole was probably the 10th, where Olazábal was in prime position on the fairway with James bunkered off the tee. Olazábal put his wedge to three feet, James, brilliantly, came out of the trap to four feet. Olazabal made the putt for his birdie, James watched, horrified, as the ball ran around the lip and stayed above ground. The gap was now six shots, and the tournament was as good as over.

From that point it was little more than an exhibition match. Olazábal made two more birdies, from nine feet at the 12th and from 12 feet at the 15th to take his tally for the day to six; James, meanwhile helped the gap between them to grow by bogeying the 15th and 16th.

The four other Ryder Cup men in the tournament did their confidence for their big date in South Carolina this week little harm by playing workmanlike golf. Colin Montgomerie had three birdies in his 73, but like so many others found the tricky wind unsettling on the home stretch, bogeying three of the last six to finish three under par, while David Feherty dropped shots at three of the last five to close with a 74.

Steven Richardson, who in the third round had had five birdies and seven bogeys, at least steadied himself for the last day. In a more consistent round he had 17 pars and just one bogey to finish one under par, while David Gilford finished on level par after a final 71.

It meant that the six completed the tournament with a cumulative score of 35 under par. Olazábal and James contributed 29 of them — no wonder they got the nod from captain Gallacher.

FINAL SCORES FROM CHEPSTOW

265: J-M Olazábal (Sp), 64, 68, 67, 66. 274: M James, 70, 64, 70, 70. 277: M Martin (Sp), 69, 68, 68, 72. 278: M McLean, 65, 73, 72, 68. A Johnstone (Zim), 71, 70, 67, 70. 279: P Teravainen (US), 71, 70, 69, 69. J Spence, 67, 70, 71, 71. 280: M Mackenzie, 71, 74, 67, 68; J Pomevik (Swe), 72, 71, 68, 68. R Claydon, 71, 68, 71, 70. J Rivero (Sp), 70, 68, 69, 73; R Rafferty, 70, 68, 68, 73.

281: V Fernandez (Arg), 71, 68, 74, 68; R Davis (Aus), 66, 70, 76, 69. P-U Johansson (Swe), 72, 68, 69, 72; C Montgomerie, 66, 69, 73, 73; P Price, 70, 66, 71, 74. G Brand Jr, 70, 66, 71, 74. 282: A Sorensen (Den), 68, 74, 69, 71. F Nobilo (NZ), 69, 68, 72, 72; D Feherty, 74, 67, 67, 74. 283: G Day (US), 74, 70, 70, 69; P O'Malley (Aus), 75, 69, 69, 70. V Singh (Fiji), 75, 68, 71, 71. C Parry (Aus), 71, 71, 70, 71. S Richardson, 68, 70, 73, 72. M Roe, 72, 72, 67, 72. A Forsbrand (Swe), 69, 71, 70, 73. E Darcy, 73, 67, 69, 74. 284: D Gilford, 71, 69, 73, 71. S Luna (Sp), 71, 70, 70, 73.

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289: O Sellberg (Swe), 75, 73, 72, 69; P Way, 73, 72, 67, 77; D J Russell, 72, 67, 71, 79. 290: D Smyth, 71, 73, 70, 76. 291: A Sherborne, 73, 73, 70, 75. 292: R Karlsson (Swe), 77, 72, 72, 71. R McFarlane, 72, 72, 76, 72. T Giedeon (Ger), 73, 75, 70, 74; M Jiménez (Sp), 73, 73, 71, 75. 293: M Bunger (Austria), 75, 77, 71, 70; M Davis, 80, 73, 69, 71. 294: M Piñero (Sp), 70, 74, 73, 77. 296: H Clark, 78, 72, 72, 74. 297: K Waters, 74, 73, 72, 78. 298: G Turner, 77, 75, 71, 75. C Mason, 75, 71, 76, 76; M Poxon, 71, 76, 71, 78. 299: J van de Velde (Fr), 75, 71, 77, 76. R Chapman, 74, 73, 74, 78; C O'Connor Jr, 71, 73, 76, 79. 301: A Bossert (Switz), 76, 73, 74, 78. 302: R Lee, 74, 74, 80, 74.

Clubs face decision on breakaway

By PETER BALL

FOOTBALL will discover at the Football League extraordinary general meeting in London this afternoon whether it is to embark on a protracted and more bitter conflict over the breakaway Premier League, or whether last week's negotiations provided the basis for a settlement between the Football Association and the League.

The second, third and fourth division clubs will have to decide whether the offer of £3 million a year, guaranteed for five years, is acceptable compensation for allowing the first division to form the Premier League at the end of this season. If not, they will vote to retain League regulation 11, which required the clubs to give three years' notice of resignation.

If they follow the latter course, the League will not receive sanction from the FA.

☐ South Africa will not participate in the qualifying rounds for the 1994 World Cup in the United States.

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